MONTANA

BIG GAME HUNTING REGULATIONS

1997

MAJOR CHANGE IN ANTLERED BUCK MULE DEER REGULATIONS IN SOUTHWESTERN MONTANA

see page 17

Table of Contents

Licenses 2
General Regulations 3
- Checking Station
- Closed Areas
- Clothing Color
- Evidence of Sex Requirements
- Glandular Scents
- Firearms
- Hunter Education-Firearm and Archery
- Hunting Hours
- Littering
- Marked Animals
- Outfitters and Guides
- Property Laws
- Trapping and Transporting Big Game
- Traps
- Weed Free Hay Program
- Avoid Violations of the Law
- Proper Validation is Easy
- Recreational Use of State Land
- Protected -- Gray Wolf

Regional Boundaries 5
Deer, Elk, Mountain Lion Hunting District Maps . . 6
Deer and Elk License & General Information . . . 16
- Southwest Montana Deer A License and Validation Procedures 17
- Deer and Elk - Region 1 19
- Deer and Elk - Region 2 22
- Deer and Elk - Region 3 27
- Deer and Elk - Region 4 34
- Deer and Elk - Region 5 40
- Deer and Elk - Region 6 42
- Deer and Elk - Region 7 44

Deer and Elk Drawing Statistics 45
Black Bear
- Hunting Districts Map 47
- Regulations 48

Mountain Lion
- General Information 49

Antelope
- Hunting District Maps 50
- Special Season & Tentative Quotas 55
- Archery 56
- Drawing Statistics 56

Moose
- Hunting District Maps 57
- Special Season & Tentative Quotas 59
- Drawing Statistics 60

Bighorn Sheep
- Hunting District Maps 61
- Limited Licenses 63
- Unlimited Licenses 64
- Drawing Statistics 64

Mountain Goat
- Hunting District Map 65
- Special Season & Tentative Quotas 66
- Drawing Statistics 66

Question and Answers 67
- Lost license, residency, licenses and permits, illegal kills, special drawings process, questions concerning roads, transporting livestock, operating ATVs, block management areas, obtaining maps and hunting on state trust lands.

Rules for the Ranch 68
Deer & Elk Definitions 69
Sunrise/Sunset Tables 70
Bear Identification and Information . . . . Back Cover

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

Information Hotline

1-900-225-5397

Our new 1-900-225-5397 information hotline - a pilot project FWP has designed in cooperation with a private vendor - will offer comprehensive details to callers on a wide variety of recreation topics, from hunting opportunities to road conditions. The line will be operational Monday through Friday from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.. Mountain Standard Time. A $1.50 per minute charge will be assessed and callers must be at least 18 years old.

By order of the Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks Commission, the seasons, limits and regulations listed herein shall govern the 1997 deer, elk, black bear, antelope, moose, bighorn sheep, mountain goat and mountain lion hunting seasons. These regulations are valid March 1, 1997 through February 28, 1998 and were adopted by the Fish, Wildlife & Parks Commission on October 4, 1996.

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks has installed a Telephone Device for the Deaf - (406)444-1200

as part of a continuing program aimed at increasing the ability of disabled citizens to access the full range of FWP services. For more information on the department's "Crossing the Barriers" program, please call (406)444-2602.

Licenses

All bowhunters ages 12-17 years must show proof of completing a course from the National Bowhunters Education Program.

Adult (18 years of age or older) bowhunters must show proof of an NBEF Bowhunter Education Certificate or present any prior years bow hunting/archery stamp, tag, permit or license from any state or province to purchase a Montana bow and arrow license.

All licenses/permits must be signed before they are valid. All licenses are non-refundable non-transferable. The 1997 license year runs March 1, 1997, through February 28, 1998.

All hunters ages 12-17 years must show proof of completing a hunter education program before purchasing any hunting license.

TYPE OF LICENSE/PERMIT	Resident cost in dollars	Nonresident cost in dollars	Available at license agents	Available at FW&P offices	Available ONLY at FW&P Headquarters, Helena	Issued through special drawings	Prices include nonrefundable drawing fees	
CONSERVATION - GENERAL	$4	$5	■	■				Prerequisite for all licenses. Residents 12-14 years of age and 62 or older need only a conservation license to fish, and to hunt upland game birds, excluding turkey.
CONSERVATION - DISABLED RESIDENT	$4	NA		■				Residents certified as permanently and substantially disabled, as designated by rules of the department, may apply annually for this license which authorizes fishing, hunting of upland game birds, excluding turkey and the purchase of deer "A" and elk licenses at one-half price.
UPLAND GAME BIRD	$6	$55	■	■				Residents 12-14 years of age and 62 or older need only a conservation license to hunt upland game birds, excluding turkey. Residents of the Flathead Indian Reservation should check the Upland Bird regulations for licensing specifics.
TURKEY	$5	$13	■	■				Upland game bird license required prerequisite.
MONTANA MIGRATORY BIRD STAMP	$5	$5	■	■				Federal waterfowl stamp also required to hunt. Residents 12-14 years of age need only a conservation license to hunt; residents 62 or older need only a conservation license and a federal waterfowl stamp to hunt. Residents of the Flathead Indian Reservation should check the Migratory Bird regulations for licensing specifics.
BOW AND ARROW	$8	$8	■	■				Required for special ARCHERY ONLY seasons. Must show proof of both hunter and bowhunter education if under the age of 18.
SPORTSMAN'S (INCLUDES BEAR)	$64	NA	■	■				Includes a conservation, deer "A", elk and black bear license and authorizes fishing and hunting of upland game birds, excluding turkey.
SPORTSMAN'S (WITHOUT BEAR)	$54	NA	■	■				Includes a conservation, deer "A" and elk license and authorizes fishing and hunting of upland game birds, excluding turkey.
BIG GAME COMBINATION (GENERAL)	NA	$475			■	■		Nonresidents applying for other Combination License may not apply. Includes a conservation, deer "A: and elk license and authorizes fishing and hunting of upland game birds. 11,500 licenses available. Deadline to apply is March 15.
BIG GAME COMBINATION (OUTFITTER SPONSORED)	NA	$835			■			Nonresidents applying for other Combination License may not apply. Includes a conservation, deer "A", elk license and authorizes fishing and hunting of upland game birds. Issued to all valid applications received by March 17.
DEER "A"	$13	NA	■	■				Montana residents 12-14 years of age and 62 years or older, or holders of a Resident Person With a Disability Conservation License may purchase a deer "A" license for one-half price ($6.50).
DEER COMBINATION (GENERAL)	NA	$245			■	■		Nonresidents applying for the other Combination License may not apply. Includes a conservation and a deer "A" license and authorizes fishing and hunting of upland game birds, excluding turkey. 2,300 licenses available. Deadline to apply is March 15.
DEER COMBINATION (OUTFITTER SPONSORED)	NA	$675			■			Nonresidents applying for other Combination License may not apply. Includes a conservation and deer "A" license and authorizes fishing and hunting of upland game birds, excluding turkey. Issued to all valid applications received by March 17.
DEER COMBINATION (LANDOWNER SPONSORED)	NA	$250			■			Nonresidents applying for other Combination License may not apply. Includes a conservation and deer "A" license and authorizes fishing and hunting of upland game birds, excluding turkey. 2,000 licenses available.
DEER "B"	$11	$53			■	■	■	Licenses limited to specified districts. Deadline to apply is June 2.
DEER "B", ANTLERLESS WHITETAIL, SINGLE-REGION	$8	$50	■	■				Allows for hunting of antlerless white-tailed deer only, in one region only. Conservation license only prerequisite.
DEER PERMITS	$3	$3			■	■	■	Nonresidents must hold a big game combination or deer combination license to apply. Fee is nonrefundable. Deadline to apply is June 2.
ELK	$16	NA	■	■				Montana residents 12-14 years of age and 62 years or older, or holders of a Resident Person With a Disability Conservation License may purchase an elk license for one-half price ($8.00).
ELK PERMITS	$6	$6			■	■	■	Nonresidents must hold a big game combination license to apply. Residents must hold a valid elk license to apply. State refund policy does not allow issuance of refunds under $5. If you are unsuccessful for an elk permit ONLY, a refund will not be sent. Deadline to apply is June 2.
BLACK BEAR	$15	$120	■	■				
MOUNTAIN LION	$15	$320		■				Deadline to apply is August 31.
MOUNTAIN LION TROPHY	$50	$50		■				Must be purchased after mountain lion kill.
HOUND HANDLER PERMIT	FREE			■				Mountain lion license and free hound handler permit required to chase mountain lions. Deadline to apply August 31.
ANTELOPE	$14	$153			■	■	■	Licenses limited to specific districts. Deadline to apply is June 2.
MOUNTAIN GOAT	$78	$478			■	■	■	Deadline to apply is May 1.
MOOSE	$78	$478			■	■	■	Deadline to apply is May 1.
BIGHORN SHEEP - LIMITED	$78	$478			■	■	■	Deadline to apply is May 1.
BIGHORN SHEEP - UNLIMITED	$78	$478			■	■	■	Deadline to apply is May 1.

Nonresidents who want to hunt elk or antlered deer in Montana in 1998, should send in their request for information in December 1997. Requests for 1998 big game hunting applications and information will be answered in January, 1998. Write or phone: Fish, Wildlife & Parks, Attn. License Section, P. O. Box 200701, Helena, MT 59620-0701; (406) 444-2950.

General Regulations

Checking Stations
All hunters and anglers are required by law to stop as directed at all department check stations.

Closed Areas
- State Game Preserves and National Parks are closed to hunting of big game animals. For hunting privileges on Federal Wildlife Refuges, inquire at the local refuge office. Big game hunting privileges on Indian Reservations are limited to tribal members only.
- Wildlife Management Areas with big game winter range, unless otherwise posted, are closed to public entry from the day following the end of the general deer/elk season or December 1, whichever is later, to May 15 each year, as posted. EXCEPTION: Blackfoot-Clearwater WMA closes November 10.

Clothing Color
- Any person hunting or accompanying hunters as an outfitter or guide must wear a minimum of 400 square inches of hunter orange (fluorescent) material above the waist, visible at all times.
- The hunter orange requirement is not in effect during the special archery seasons, which are specifically listed in these regulations as: "ARCHERY ONLY SEASON." Bowhunters pursuing big game animals with bow and arrow must wear a minimum of 400 square inches of hunter orange (fluorescent) above the waist if firearm season is open in the hunting district and for the species being hunted or pursued.

Evidence of Sex Requirements
- It is illegal to possess or transport the carcass of any big game animal unless evidence of the animal's sex and species remains naturally attached to its carcass or a portion of the carcass.
- In most cases, the easiest way to meet this requirement is to leave the animal's head attached to the carcass. However, if the animal's head is removed, some other evidence of sex must remain naturally attached to the carcass or a portion of it.
- The following are considered lawful evidence of sex:

  - **Horned or Antlered Game Animals:** Male--head with the horns or antlers naturally attached, penis, testicles or scrotum. Female--head or udder (mammaries).
  - **Bears and Mountain Lions:** Male--testicles or bacculum. Female--vulva.
- Evidence of an animal's sex and species must be retained until the animal's meat is processed (cut and wrapped) or until a bear or mountain lion is checked by a department employee or delivered to a taxidermist.
- If required by a department employee, hunters harvesting a big game animal must physically return to the kill site for inspection and on demand show complete head.

Glandular Scents
- Natural or artificial glandular scents may be used by licensed hunters to attract game animals or game birds by spraying or pouring scent on the ground or other objects. Hunters may not create a scent station where the scent continues to be dispensed without the hunter's direct action, such as an automatic device which drips or otherwise continues to dispense scent. Scents may not be used to attract bears. No scents other than glandular may be used for attracting animals, but other scents may be used to mask human odor.

Firearms
- Caliber-- There is no caliber limitation during the general big game hunting season (except as specified under shotgun) for the taking of big game animals in Montana. However, the use of poisonous, explosive or deleterious substances on or in any bullet or projectile is prohibited. Match the caliber and firearm to the size of the animal hunted.
- **Shotgun**-- Hunters are prohibited from shooting deer or elk with shotguns, except with lead loads of 0 buck or larger, or rifle slugs.

Restrictions for traditional handgun/muzzleloader areas only:
- **Muzzleloader**-- firearm must meet the following criteria: 1) not capable of being loaded from the breech of the barrel; 2) not loaded with any prepared paper or metallic cartridge; 3) charged with black powder, pyrodex or an equivalent; 4) is ignited by a percussion, flintlock, matchlock or wheellock mechanism; 5) must be minimum of .45 caliber; 6) no more than two barrels; and 7) lead projectile only, no sabots.
- **Handguns**-- "traditional" handgun must meet the following criteria: 1) not capable of being shoulder mounted; 2) has a barrel of less than 10 1/2 inches; 3) chambers a straight wall cartridge, not originally developed for rifles.

Hunter Education--Firearm and Archery
- Youth under the age of 17 years applying for the 1997 special drawings must be at least 12 years of age before September 15, 1997, and provide required proof of successfully completing a Hunter Education Program at the time of applying for the special drawings.
- Resident hunters 12-17 years of age are required by law to have a Montana Hunter Education Certificate of Competency in the safe handling of firearms before they may purchase a hunting license. The Certificate of Competency is awarded to resident youths who have successfully completed Montana's Hunter Education Program. Duplicate Montana Hunter Education certificates may be obtained by contacting any FWP regional office or the Hunter Education Office in Helena.
- New residents of Montana 12-17 years of age need to check with their local Fish, Wildlife and Parks Office to determine if their out-of-state hunter education certificate can be accepted and to receive a Montana Hunter Education Certificate.
- Non-resident youths 12-17 years of age are required by law to submit a copy of their home state hunter education certificate verifying successful completion of the course when applying for any hunting license in Montana. Duplicate home state hunter education certificates may be obtained by contacting the state wildlife agency responsible for administering the program.
- Both resident and nonresident youths 12-17 years of age are required to purchase the bow and arrow stamp to archery hunt during the ARCHERY ONLY season, and must provide a Certificate of Competency in the safe handling of bow hunting tackle from the National Bowhunter Education Foundation (NBEF), in addition to the Certificate of Competency in the safe handling of firearms. Duplicate Montana Bowhunter Education certificates may be obtained by contacting any FWP regional office or the Hunter Education Office in Helena. Nonresidents who have completed the NBEF in another state may obtain a duplicate certificate by contacting the responsible state resource agency or bowhunting organization responsible for administering the program. Bowhunters seeking information where to find a NBEF course in their state may call the National Archery Hotline at 1-800-461-2728.
- Adult (18 years age or older) bowhunters must show proof of NBEF Bowhunter Education Certificate or present any prior years' bowhunting/archery stamp, tag, permit or license from any state or province to purchase a Montana bow and arrow license.
- Montana law adopted in 1993 requires members of the armed forces and their dependents taking advantage of the 30-day residency exception to present a Montana Hunter Education Certificate or similar certificate from any state or province when purchasing any Montana license.

Hunting Hours
Authorized hunting hours for the taking of big game animals begins one-half hour before sunrise and ends one-half hour after sunset each day of the hunting season. See official sunrise-sunset table on page 70 of these regulations.

Littering
A person convicted of littering while hunting, fishing or camping shall forfeit their license or privileges to hunt, fish, trap or camp within Montana for a period of one year.

Marked Animals
It is legal to shoot big game animals that have radio collars, neck bands or markers, but markers and radio collars must be returned to the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks.

Outfitters and Guides
- Outfitters and guides are licensed by the Montana Department of Commerce. For information verification or a complete listing of licensed outfitters and guides telephone the Department of Commerce at (406)444-3738.
- Any outfitter utilizing federal lands or lands not held in fee title by the outfitter must be licensed by the Department of Commerce.
- It is illegal to hire an outfitter not licensed by the Department of Commerce.

General Regulations

Property Laws

- **Permission to Hunt Big Game** -- Montana Law requires that big game hunters must have permission of the landowner, lessee or their agent before hunting big game animals on private property, regardless of whether the land is posted or not.
- **Obtain Permission Early** -- Approximately 65 percent of Montana's hunting districts are comprised of private land. In some hunting districts, it is difficult to obtain access to private lands. Hunters should secure landowner permission before applying for a special license/permit in these areas.
- **Trespass**-- Montana law states that lands can be closed to the public either by posting the land or through verbal communication by landowners or their agents. If permission is granted, the landowner may revoke permission by personal communication at any time. An orange post means no trespassing without permission.

  - **Posting Requirements**-- Notice denying entry to private land must consist of written notice on a post, structure or natural object or by painting a post, structure or natural object with at least 50 square inches of fluorescent orange paint. In the case of a metal fencepost, the entire post must be painted. This notice must be placed at each outer gate and all normal points of access to the property, as well as on both sides of a stream where it crosses an outer property boundary line. Hunters are reminded that they must have landowner permission before hunting big game animals on private property, regardless of whether the land is posted or not.

Tagging and Transporting Big Game

- **Tagging**-- Immediately after harvesting a game animal, hunters must cut out the proper month and the day of the harvest from the appropriate license/tag and attach it to the animal in a secure and visible manner. If more than one date is cut out, the license/tag is invalid. The properly validated license/tag shall remain with the meat until consumed (including cold storage). If quartered, the license/tag should remain with the carcass or largest portion of the carcass. The license/tag is to remain attached to the hide of a bear or mountain lion until it is tanned.
- **Transporting**-- Properly tagged game animals that comply with the "Evidence of Sex Requirements" and that were lawfully taken by the license holder may be transported by an individual other than the license holder. It is a violation of the Federal Lacy Act to transport an illegally taken game animal across state boundaries. Federal Lacy Act violations could result in a criminal penalty of $20,000 and 5 years in prison. All shippers of fish, game or nongame birds, game animals, furbearing animals, the skins of furbearing animals or predator animals, or parts thereof are required to label all packages offered for shipment by parcel post, common carrier (airlines or UPS, etc) or otherwise. The label should be securely attached to the address of the package and shall plainly indicate the names and addresses of the consignor and consignee and the complete contents of the package (87-3-114, MCA).

Traps--Do Not Disturb

Montana trappers are permitted to trap furbearing animals during designated seasons; predatory, and some non-game animals most of the year. Hunters afield who find a trap are prohibited from disturbing the traps or trapped animals.

Weed Free Hay Programs

- Certain areas of Montana require the use of certified weed free hay, straw and pellets for livestock to prevent the spread of noxious weeds.
- Please contact offices of Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks, U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, US Fish and Wildlife Service and Montana Department of Agriculture for information about the area where you will be hunting.
- Please see page 68 if you are transporting horses or mules into Montana.

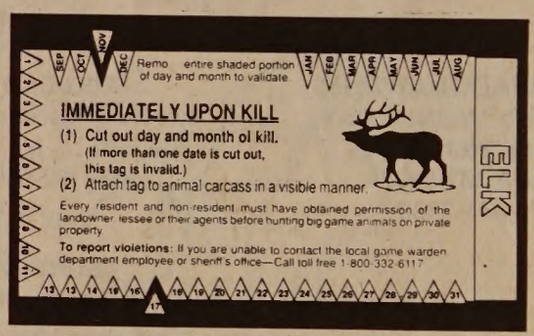
AVOID VIOLATIONS OF THE LAW

- Hunters are prohibited from wasting or rendering unfit for human consumption, any part of a game animal, game bird, or game fish that is "defined as suitable for food." For big game animals excluding mountain lions, all of the four quarters above the hock, including loin and backstrap are considered suitable for food. A person harvesting a black bear or mountain lion is prohibited from abandoning head or hide in the field.
- Hunters are prohibited from shooting on, from, or across the right-of-way of a publicly maintained road which is open to vehicular traffic. The right-of-way includes the road, shoulders, berms and borrow pits and generally extends from fenceline to fenceline along fenced roadways.
- Hunters are prohibited from shooting or attempting to shoot any game animal or game bird from a motorized vehicle (car, truck, boat, snowmobile, motorcycle, all terrain vehicle, airplane, etc.) even if the vehicle is not moving.
- Hunters are prohibited from loaning or transferring their license to another person or using a license issued to another person.
- Hunters are prohibited from hunting or taking any game animal without having a valid license on their person.
- Hunters are prohibited from hunting or taking any game animal by the aid or with the use of any set gun, jacklight or other artificial light, trap, snare, or salt lick, nor may any such aforementioned device to entrap or entice game animals be used, made, or set.
- Youths under 14 years of age must be in the company of a parent, legal guardian or other responsible adult when carrying or using firearms for any reason.
- Hunters may possess, transport, sell, or purchase naturally shed antlers or the antlers with a skull or portion of a skull attached from a game animal that has died from natural causes and that has not been unlawfully or accidentally killed. It is illegal to possess a sheep head picked up in the wild.
- Hunters may not use a motorized vehicle or aircraft to concentrate, drive, rally, stir-up, corral or harass wildlife except predators.

Proper validation is easy:

Immediately after kill a big game animal, all hunters must properly validate the appropriate license/tag and securely attach it to the animal so that is clearly visible.

1) Locate the appropriate month and day the animal was killed and completely cut away (notch out) the month and day designations. The license/tag shown below, for example, has been properly validated for an animal taken on November 17.
2) Be Careful! The correct and appropriate month and day designations must be removed completely from the license/tag. Removing more than one month or one day designation invalidates the license/tag.


SEP
OCT
NOV
DEC
Remo entire shaded portion of day and month to validate
JAN
FEB
MAR
APR
MAY
JUN
JUL
AUG
IMMEDIATELY UPON KILL
(1) Cut out day and month of kill.
(If more than one date is cut out, this tag is invalid.)
(2) Attach tag to animal carcass in a visible manner.
Every resident and non-resident must have obtained permission of the landowner lessee or their agents before hunting big game animals on private property.
To report violations: If you are unable to contact the local game warden department employee or sheriff's office—Call toll free 1-800-332-6117
ELK

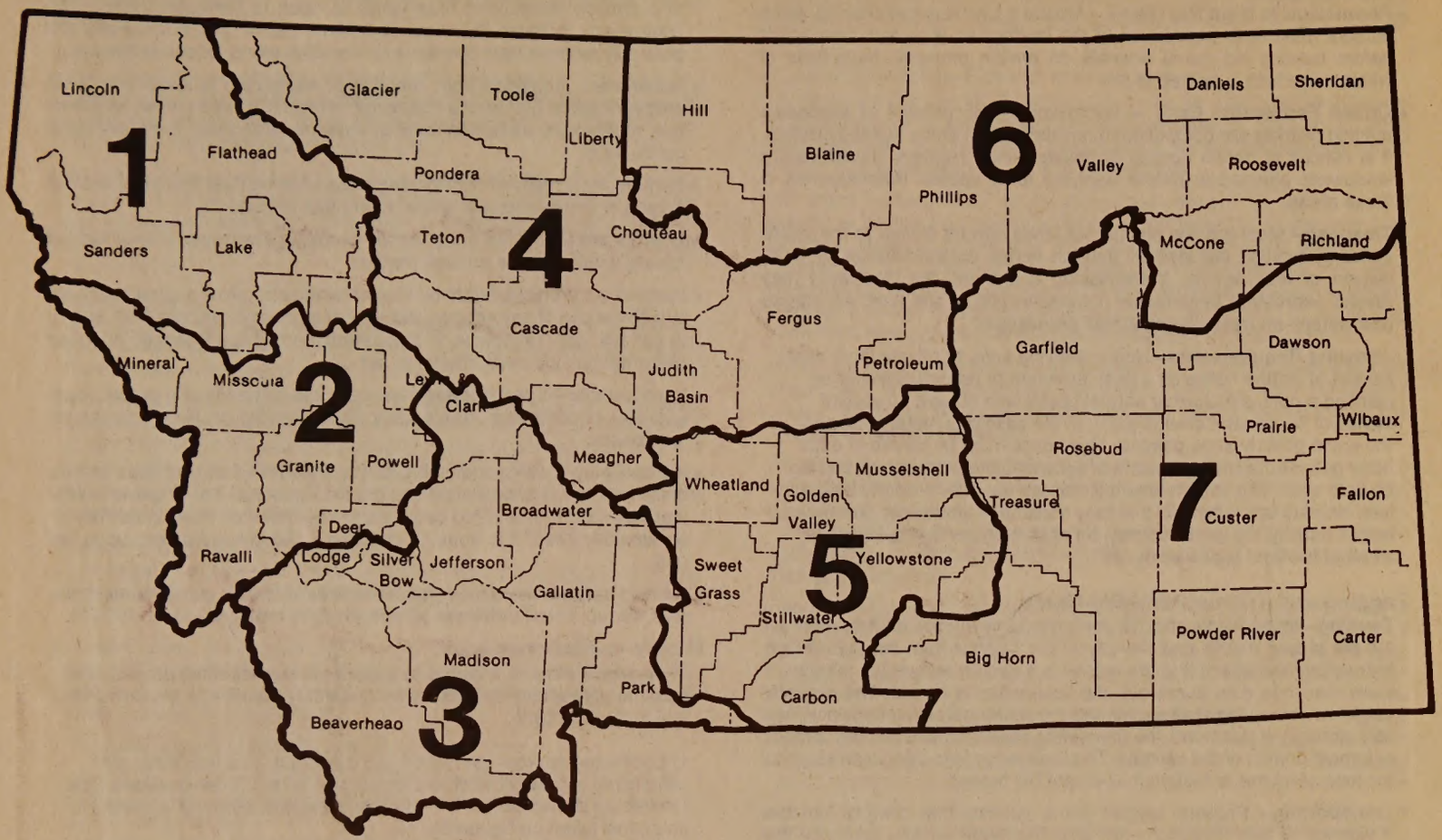
RECREATIONAL USE OF STATE LAND

A State Lands Recreational Use License, which is available from FWP license agents, is required to conduct most recreational activities (including hunting and fishing) on state land. Pamphlets which provide information regarding the rules, regulations and restrictions governing these activities on state land are available from FWP license agents, FWP offices and the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, 1625 11th Avenue, Helena MT 59620 (406) 444-2074

PROTECTED -- GRAY WOLF

Gray wolves are present in Montana and are protected by State and Federal law. To assist in wolf management, please report any wolf sightings or sign to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (406)449-5225, or the Flathead National Forest (406)755-5401, or Fish, Wildlife & Parks Helena Headquarters (406)444-2612.

Regional Boundaries



STATE HEADQUARTERS
Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks
1420 East Sixth Avenue
HELENA, MT 59620
(406)444-2535

REGIONAL OFFICES

REGION 1
490 North Meridian Road
KALISPELL, MT 59901
(406)752-5501

REGION 2
3201 Spurgin Road
MISSOULA, MT 59804
(406)542-5500

REGION 3
1400 South 19th
BOZEMAN, MT 59715
(406)994-4042

Helena Area Resource Office
(406)449-8864

Butte Area Resource Office
(406)494-1953

REGION 4
4600 Giant Springs Road
GREAT FALLS, MT 59406
(406)454-5840

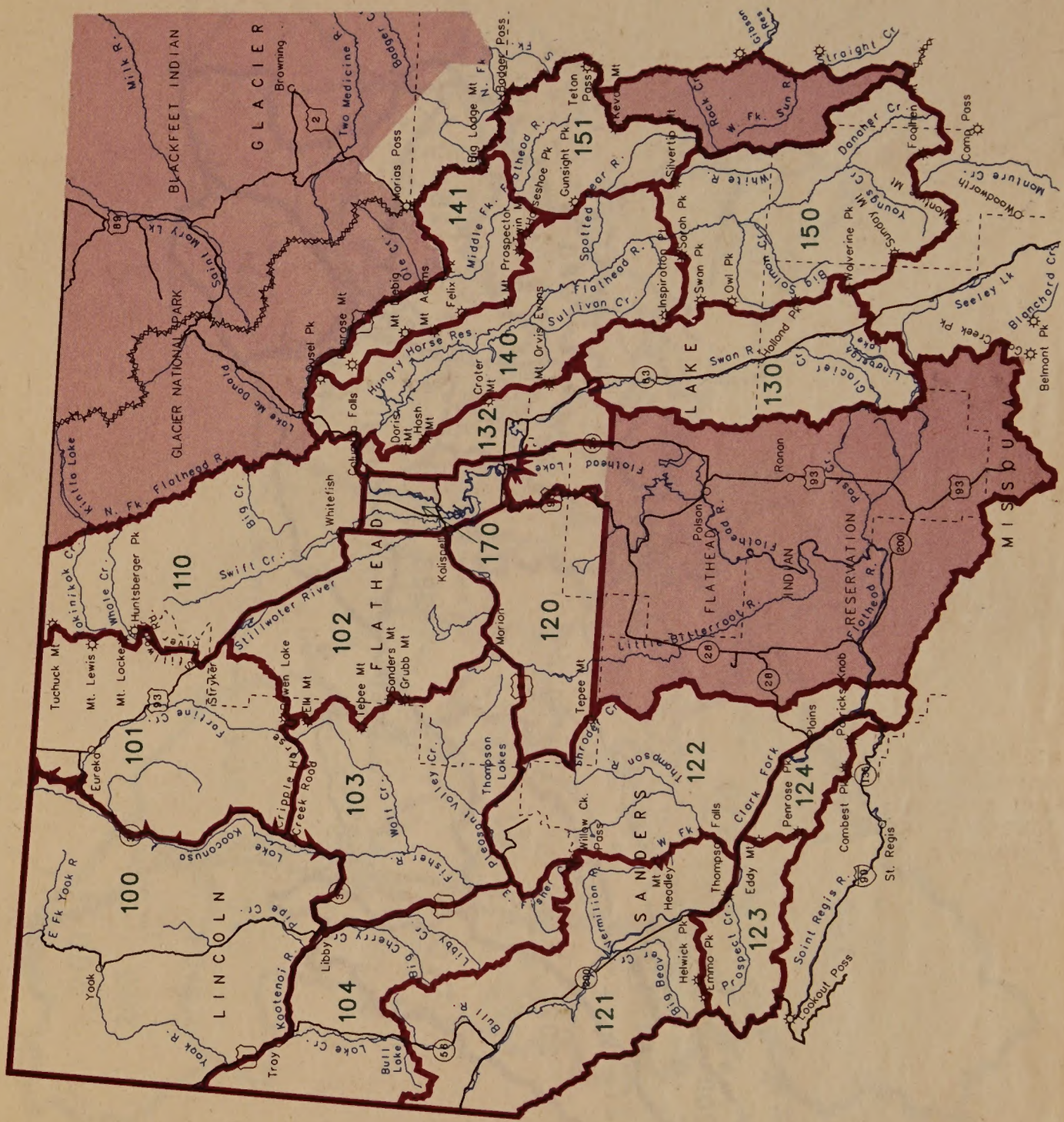
REGION 5
2300 Lake Elmo Drive
BILLINGS, MT 59105
(406)247-2940

REGION 6
Route 1-4210
GLASGOW, MT 59230
(406)228-3700

Havre Area Resource Office
(406)265-6177

REGION 7
P.O. Box 1630
MILES CITY, MT 59301
(406)232-0900

Deer — Elk — Lion



Region 1

Map only intended as a guide - pleasa refer to the legal descriptions for actuel boundaries.

CLOSED TO HUNTING FOR BIG GAME

Deer — Elk — Lion

Region 2

Map only intended as a guide - please refer to the legal descriptions for actual boundaries.

CLOSED TO HUNTING FOR BIG GAME

Deer — Elk — Lion

Region 2

Map only intended as a guide - please refer to the legal descriptions for actual boundaries.

CLOSED TO HUNTING FOR BIG GAME

Deer — Elk — Lion

Region 3

Map only intended as a guide - please refer to the legal descriptions for actual boundaries.

CLOSED TO HUNTING FOR BIG GAME

Deer — Elk — Lion

GALLATIN
MADISON
BEAVERHEAD
SILVER BOW
300
301
302
310
311
313
314
316
317
319
320
321
322
323
324
325
326
327
328
329
330
331
332
333
340
341
361
362
Bozeman
Livingston
Springdale
Three Forks
Twin Bridges
Ennis
McAllister
Virginia City
Dillon
Wisdom
Jackson
Big Hole Pass
Bloody Dick Cr.
Lemhi Pass
Horse Prairie Cr.
Medicine Lodge Cr.
Bonnock Pass
Red Rock R.
Clark Canyon Res.
Blacktail Deer
Sweetwater Cr.
Madison Range
Gallatin Range
Bozeman Pass
Columbine Pass
Big Sky
Wilson Pk
Monitor Pk
Ash Mt.
Gordiner
Granite Pk
Ramshorn Mt
Elephanthead Mt
Mt Cowen
Silver Lk
The Pyramid
Crow Mt
Fossil Lk
Albino Lks
Kersey Lk
Hebgen Lake
Duck Lake
Red Streak
Shedhorn Mt
Indian Cr
Gulch Rd
Elk R.
Robb Cr.
Lima Res.
Lower Red Rock Lk.
RED ROCK LAKES N.W.R.
Monida
Sheep Cr.
Big Hole R.
Big Hole Divide
Big Hole Basin
Mt Tobacco Root
Mt Torrey
Mt Tobacco
Pintlar Cr.
Morche Cr.
Seymour Cr.
Anaconda
Opportunity
Butte
Divide
Canyon Cr.
Rock Cr.
Willow Cr.
Grasshopper Cr.
Worm Springs Cr.
Wise R.
Moose Cr.
Mill Cr.
Ruby R.
Stone Cr.
Poison Cr.
Troll Cr.
Moose Cr.
E. Fk Bitterroot R.
W. Fk Bitterroot R.
Boulder R.
Rocky Cr.
Camp Cr.
Middle Cr.
Squaw Cr.
Swan Cr.
Sixmile Cr.
Will Cr.
Trail Cr.
Timber Cr.
Big Timber Cr.
Porcupine Cr.
Poison Cr.
Jack Cr.
Bear Cr.
Ennis Lake
Virginia City
Ruby R.
Madison R.
Gallatin R.
Yellowstone R.
Missouri R.
Jefferson R.
Beaverhead R.
Big Hole R.
Red Rock R.
Lima Res.
Clark Canyon Res.
Gallatin Range
Madison Range
Tobacco Root Mts.
Big Hole Mts.
Lemhi Mts.
Bitterroot Mts.
Centennial Mts.
Gravelly Range
Snowcrest Range
Ruby Range
Tendoy Mts.
Blacktail Deer Cr.
Sweetwater Cr.
Stone Cr.
Robb Cr.
Elk R.
Gulch Rd
Indian Cr
Shedhorn Mt
Porcupine Cr.
Duck Lake
Hebgen Lake
Red Streak
Lower Red Rock Lk.
RED ROCK LAKES N.W.R.
Monida
Sheep Cr.
Big Hole Basin
Big Hole Divide

Deer — Elk — Lion

Region 4

Map only intended as a guide - please refer to the legal descriptions for actual boundaries.

CLOSED TO HUNTING FOR BIG GAME

Deer — Elk — Lion

Region 4

Map only intended es e guide - please refer to the legal descriptions for actual boundaries.

CLOSED TO HUNTING FOR BIG GAME

Deer — Elk — Lion

Region 5

Map only intended as a guide - please refer to the legal descriptions for actual boundaries.

CLOSED TO HUNTING FOR BIG GAME

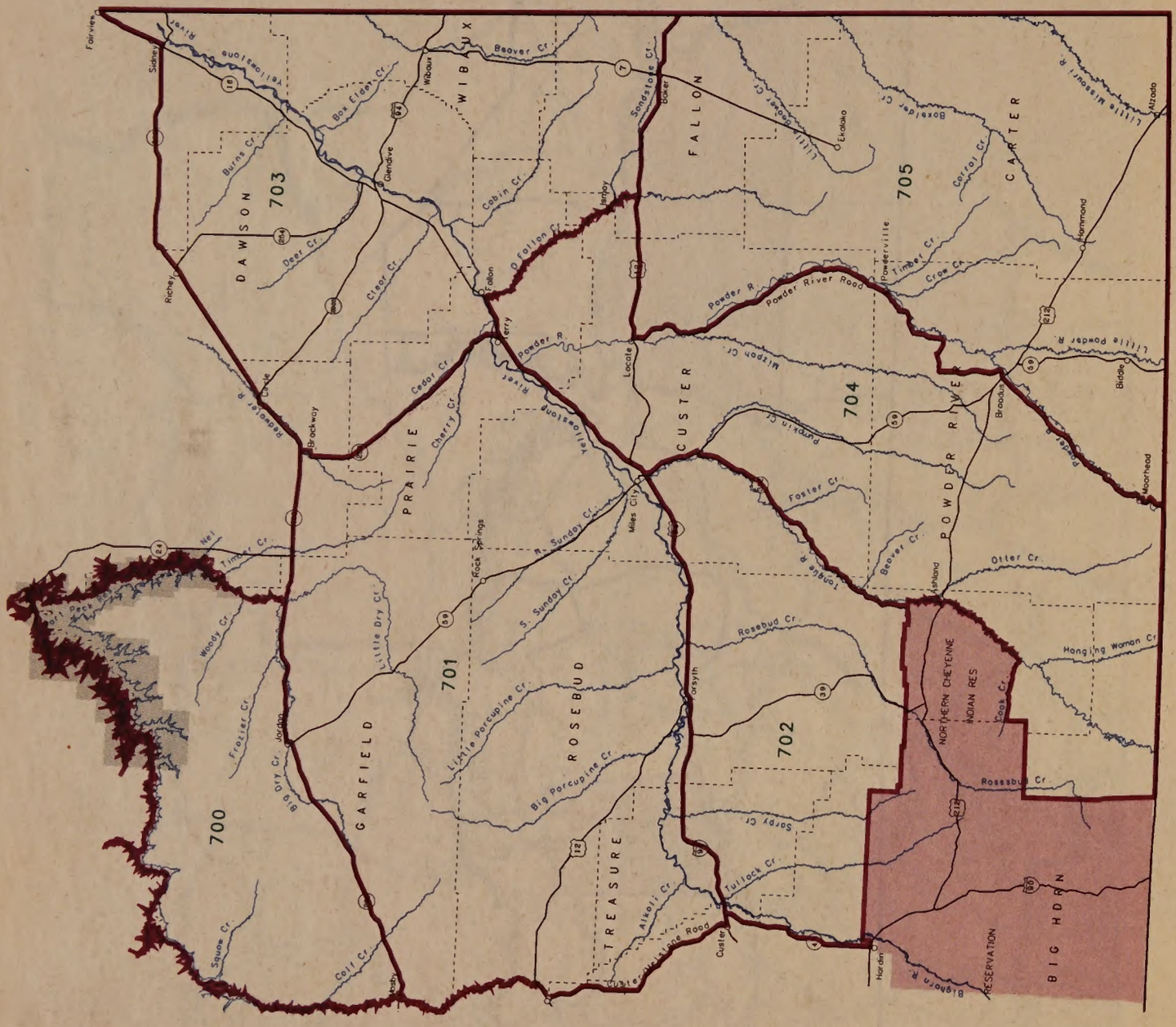
Deer — Elk — Lion

Region 6

Map only intended as a guide - please refer to the legal descriptions for actual boundaries.

CLOSED TO HUNTING FOR BIG GAME

Deer — Elk — Lion



CLOSED TO HUNTING FOR BIG GAME

Region 7

Map only intended as a guide - please refer to the legal descriptions for actual boundaries.

LICENSES AND GENERAL INFORMATION

DEER AND ELK

Hunters may purchase one deer A and one or more deer B licenses. There are no requirements regarding the order of obtaining nor the order of filling either license. Hunters may purchase only one elk license per year which is included in the resident Sportsman's License and the nonresident Big Game Combination License.

The Deer A license is included in the resident Sportsman's License, the nonresident Big Game Combination License and the nonresident Deer Combination license.

Nonresident Deer Combination license holders who are landowner sponsored are reminded the license entitles them to hunt ALL deer (including B licenses) only on the deeded lands of the sponsoring landowner. This does not include leased or public land. The license is valid statewide for fishing.

Nonresident Combination License holders who are outfitter sponsored are reminded that ALL hunting with their Combination License must be done with a licensed outfitter.

Hunters may hold and fill more than one deer B license subject to all specifications on the license issued. Opportunities to obtain a deer B license(s) include:

1. Special drawings.
2. Over-the-counter purchase from Fish, Wildlife & Parks offices and FWP license agents.

SINGLE REGION ANTLERLESS WHITETAIL DEER B LICENSES

Hunters may purchase only one single region antlerless whitetail deer B license per year. This may be in addition to any other deer B license(s) purchased. Licenses are valid for one region only and hunter must designate region upon purchase. Licenses are available beginning in August from all Fish, Wildlife & Parks offices and FWP license agents.

Licenses are valid as follows:

Region 2 - All 200 series districts are ARCHERY ONLY.

Region 3 - ALL 300 series districts, except the Canyon Ferry WMA portion of 380.

Region 4 - ALL 400 series districts, except HD 455; valid in HDs 400, 401, 403 and 406 Oct. 26 - Nov. 16 only.

Region 6 - ALL 600 series districts.

Region 7 - ALL 700 series districts

License are valid Oct. 26 - Nov. 30, with exceptions noted above. Licenses may also be used during the ARCHERY ONLY season, but the license holder is restricted to the region, sex, species and any special restrictions listed on the license.

MULTI-DISTRICT DEER B LICENSE

Hunters may purchase only one multi-district antlerless whitetail deer B license valid in HDs 600, 630, 640, 641, 650, 651, 652, 670, 690 and 703. License are valid Oct. 26 - Nov. 30, with exceptions noted above. Licenses may also be used during the ARCHERY ONLY season, but the license holder is restricted to the region, sex, species and any special restrictions listed on the license. Licenses available from any Fish, Wildlife & Parks office and license agents located within these hunting districts.

SPECIAL SEASONS AND DRAWINGS

Applications must be postmarked by the U. S. Postal Service no later than June 2.

Both resident and nonresident hunters are eligible to apply for licenses and permits awarded through the special drawings. Nonresidents are limited to, but not guaranteed, 10 percent of a district quota.

Nonresidents must hold a Big Game Combination License to apply for special elk or special deer permit OR a Deer Combination License to apply for special deer permit.

Residents and nonresidents are required to purchase a general elk license prior to applying for a special elk permit or the A-7 antlerless elk license.

Hunters must hold a deer A license to use a deer permit awarded through the special drawings.

Nonresident holders of a landowner sponsored Deer Combination License may apply for a special deer permit ONLY in the hunting district in which they are authorized to hunt deer.

Because some licenses and permits are valid only in a portion or portions of specified hunting districts, hunters should carefully note the district choice for which they are applying. A copy of the legal descriptions for "portion of district" areas is available at all Fish, Wildlife & Parks Office or by mail from the Helena Headquarters, Wildlife Division, POB 200701, Helena, MT 59620-0701.

SPECIAL DEER PERMITS:

A special deer permit is not a second license. All permits are issued through the special license and permit drawings and must be used with a valid deer A license. Hunting districts offering a deer permit are 260-02 (deer permit must be used with a HD 260 deer B license), 270-01, 291-01, 441-01, 455-00, 530-01, and 652-00.

Hunters who receive a special deer permit valid for taking an antlered buck mule deer with their deer A license are restricted to taking an antlered buck mule deer only in the district or portion of district specified on the permit. They may not hunt antlered buck mule deer anywhere else in Montana. This will apply to all special deer permit areas where antlered buck mule deer may be taken. Hunting districts proposed with special deer permits are 291-01, 441-01, 455-00, 530-01, 652-00. (This does not apply to ARCHERY ONLY SEASONS).

SPECIAL ELK PERMITS

Hunters who receive a special permit to hunt antlerless elk during all or any portion of the regular season (Oct. 26 - Nov. 30) are restricted to taking only an antlerless elk in the district or the portion of a district for which the permit is valid (whether during the general or ARCHERY ONLY season). Permit holders are entitled to hunt elk, as specified in the 1997 big game hunting regulations, in all other elk hunting districts OR if your permit is valid for a portion of the district only, in all other portions of that hunting district (except those districts or portions of district restricted to "hunting by permit only").

This restriction also applies if a permit is valid for only a portion of the regular season (for example, Oct. 26 - Nov. 4 or Nov. 15 - Nov. 30).

LANDOWNER PREFERENCE

Montana landowners who qualify may receive preference in the deer B license and/or deer permit special drawings. To qualify, one must be the owner of record or be contracting to purchase at least 160 acres of land within the hunting district applied for. If the license is valid for a portion of the hunting district only, the landowner must own land within that portion. The land must be used primarily for agricultural purposes.

Montana landowners who qualify may receive preference in the elk permit and A-7 antlerless elk license special drawings. To qualify, the applicant must own or be contracting to purchase at least 640 acres of contiguous land used by elk or where elk are known to occur at anytime during the year. If the permit is valid for a portion of the hunting district only, the landowner must own land within that portion.

Preference is available to Montana landowners, both resident and nonresident and can be designated to a blood or marriage related individual or a person employed by the landowner. Only one person may use or designate preference in a partnership or corporation.

A-7 ELK LICENSE

An A-7 license is a special type of elk hunting license that allows the holder to shoot only antlerless elk in the district for which the license is valid. A-7 licenses are available in a very limited number of areas and, in general, in areas where no other opportunities to harvest antlerless elk exist.

If a hunter applies for and receives an A-7 license, these conditions apply: 1) Hunters may not hold both a general elk license and a special A-7 license. 2) The holder of an A-7 license must hunt only antlerless elk and must confine their elk hunting only to the hunting district for which their A-7 license is valid. 3) They may not hunt elk (bull or antlerless) anywhere else in the state during the 1997 season.

A-7 licenses are available only through the annual special drawings. Both residents and nonresidents may apply for these licenses. If successful in drawing an A-7 license, the hunter will be sent a letter of notice and must turn in his/her general elk license prior to the beginning of the elk archery season. Failure to do so will forfeit the A-7 license.

The following districts offer A-7 antlerless elk licenses through the special drawings: 204, 240, 250, 261, 270, 282, 285, 293, 298, 299 329, 343, and 520.

ARCHERY

ARCHERY ONLY season is September 6 - October 19, 1997.

All legally described deer and elk hunting districts are open to archery hunting during the ARCHERY ONLY season. Exceptions are noted under the Deer and Elk specific hunting district regulations.

General deer A license holders may hunt deer of either sex, either species. Exceptions are noted under the Deer and Elk specific hunting district regulations. Deer B or landowner sponsored nonresident deer combination license holders may hunt during ARCHERY ONLY season but are restricted to the district, sex, species and any special restrictions listed on the license.

Elk license holders may hunt elk as listed under the specific hunting district regulation.

A bow and arrow license, plus the proper hunting license is required of all hunters during ARCHERY ONLY season.

It is illegal to use any livestock to kill, take, attempt to take, or harass elk during the elk ARCHERY ONLY season. This shall not prohibit the use of livestock to get to the hunting area or to remove downed game animals.

WHAT ARCHERY EQUIPMENT IS LEGAL TO USE DURING THE ARCHERY ONLY SEASON?

- Only a long, recurve or compound bow may be used during the archery only season.
- Arrows must have broadheads with at least two cutting edges to hunt big game animals.

Archery Equipment That Is Prohibited From Being Used During The Archery Only Season Is Described Below:

- A crossbow or any other device that is attached to any bow that holds an arrow at partial or full draw.
- A bow sight, bow, or arrow which uses artificial light, luminous chemicals such as tritium or electronics.
- Use of any chemical or explosive device attached to an arrow to aid in the taking of wildlife is prohibited at all times.

SPECIAL PERMIT YOUTH HUNT - HUNTING DISTRICT 314

Five permits will be available to youths for either sex elk in HD 314. (Must apply as HD 314-02, see page 28). Criteria to apply for this hunt includes:

- 1) Applicant must be 12 - 14 years of age.
- 2) Applicant must show proof of completing a hunter education program.
- 3) Applicant must be accompanied by a non-hunting adult and/or guardian who is at least 21 years of age or older.

SOUTHWEST MONTANA DEER A LICENSE AND VALIDATION PROCEDURES

Beginning in 1997, hunters must choose whether to hunt antlered buck mule deer in either (1) southwest (SW) Montana (see map page18) OR (2) the remainder of the state. Option (1) will allow hunters to take antlered buck mule deer in Southwest Montana. Option (2), remainder of the state, will allow hunters to take antlered buck mule deer in hunting districts other than those in SW Montana. Both options will be valid for all antlerless and white-tailed general deer seasons throughout Montana as described in these regulations. The SW Montana deer "A" License may be used statewide during the ARCHERY ONLY season.

Hunters may purchase only ONE Deer A license. The new SW Montana Deer A License option will be validated in only one of eight areas in southwest Montana, and the OTHER Deer A license option will be valid in the remainder of the state.

The procedures and requirements for purchase of the SW Deer A license are as follows:

Hunters must purchase a Southwest (SW) Montana Deer A license to hunt antlered buck mule deer during the general season in the following hunting districts in southwest Montana. Hunting districts 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 240, 250, 261, 270, 280, 281, 282, 283, 285, 291, 292, 293, 300, 301, 302, 310, 311, 312, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 335, 339, 340, 341, 343, 350, 360, 361, 362, 370, 380, 390, 391, 392 and 393.

Validation for only one of the following eight (8) areas (see map on page 18) must be made at the time the license is purchased. It is Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks policy to reissue a valid license to hunters who mistakenly purchase the wrong license if the hunter requests the change by OCTOBER 15, 1997. Hunters wishing to do so must submit their Deer A License to the Licensing Section, POB 200701, Helena, MT 59620-0701 along with a letter of explanation.

AREA 1: Lower Clark Fork - Hds 200, 201, 202, 203

AREA 2: Bitterroot - Hds 204, 240, 250, 261, 270

AREA 3: Deer Lodge/Rock Creek - Hds 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216

AREA 4: Blackfoot - Hds 280, 281, 282, 283, 285, 291, 292, 293

AREA 5: Big Hole - Hds 300, 302, 319, 321, 328, 329, 331, 332, 340, 341

AREA 6: Madison - Hds 320, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 330, 333

AREA 7: Boulder - Hds 318, 335, 339, 343, 350, 370, 380

AREA 8. Gallatin/Big Belts - Hds 301, 310, 311, 312, 360, 361, 362, 390, 391 392, 393

Because some licenses and permits are valid only in a portion or portions of specified hunting districts, hunters should carefully note the district choice for which they are applying. A copy of the legal descriptions for "portion of district" areas is available at all Fish, Wildlife & Parks Office or by mail from the Helena Headquarters, Wildlife Division, POB 200701, Helena, MT 59620-0701

Southwest Montana Antlered Buck Mule Deer Areas

Area 1: Lower Clark Fork
HDs 200, 201, 202, 203

Area 2: Bitterroot
HDs 204, 240, 250, 261, 270

Area 3: Deer Lodge - Rock Creek
HDs 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216

Area 4: Blackfoot
HDs 280, 281, 282, 283, 285, 291, 292, 293

Area 5: Big Hole
HDs 300, 302, 319, 321, 328, 329, 331, 332, 340, 341

Area 6: Madison
HDs 320, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 330, 333

Area 7: Boulder
HDs 318, 335, 339, 343, 350, 370, 380

Area 8: Gallatin - Big Belts
HDs 301, 310, 311, 312, 360, 361, 362, 390, 391, 392, 393

Archery Only Hunting Districts (Southwest Mule Deer License A and Validation Not Required)
HDs 260, 284, 290

County Boundary

Deer/Elk Hunting District Boundary

Hunting District 100

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 23	Antlered Buck, Either Species
Nov. 24 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	One deer B license - valid for antlerless whitetail in the Libby Special Management Area (portions of HDs 100, and 103) available for purchase from the Kalispell FWP headquarters and FWP license agents within hunting area.

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

100-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 300 B licenses - antlerless whitetail

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 3	Antlerless Elk
Nov. 3 - Nov. 30	Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 101

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 23	Antlered Buck, Either Species
Nov. 24 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

None

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

101-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	10 permits for antlerless elk - valid in Tobacco Plains portion of district only.
101-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	20 permits for antlerless elk - valid in remaining portion of district outside Tobacco Plains portion.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 102

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 23	Antlered Buck, Either Species
Nov. 24 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

102-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 500 B licenses - antlerless whitetail

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

102-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 20 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 103

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 23	Antlered Buck, Either Species
Nov. 24 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	One deer B license - valid for antlerless whitetail in the Libby Special Management Area (portions of HDs 100, and 103) available for purchase from the Kalispell FWP headquarters and FWP license agents within hunting area.

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

103-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 100 B licenses - antlerless whitetail

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlerless Elk
Nov. 3 - Nov. 30	Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 104

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 23	Antlered Buck, Either Species
Nov. 24 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

104-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 100 B licenses - antlerless whitetail

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Either Sex
Nov. 3 - Nov. 30	Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 110

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 23	Antlered Buck, Either Species
Nov. 24 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

None

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 120

NOTE: Northern portion of Hunting District between Smith Lake Road and US Highway 2 - archery, shotgun, traditional handgun or muzzleloader only.

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 23	Antlered Buck, Either Species
Nov. 24 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

120-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 100 B licenses - antlerless whitetail

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

120-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 20 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 121

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 23	Antlered Buck, Either Species
Nov. 24 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

121-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 600 B licenses - antlerless whitetail

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Brow-Tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

121-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 550 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless

Hunting District 122

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 23	Antlered Buck, Either Species
Nov. 24 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

122-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 200 B licenses - antlerless whitetail

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

122-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 50 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 123

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 23	Antlered Buck, Either Species
Nov. 24 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

123-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 75 B licenses - antlerless whitetail

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Brow-Tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

123-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 75 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Brow-Tined or Antlerless

Hunting District 124

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 23	Antlered Buck, Either Species
Nov. 24 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

124-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 100 B licenses - antlerless whitetail

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Brow-Tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

124-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 75 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless

Hunting District 130

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 23	Antlered Buck, Either Species
Nov. 24 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

130-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 300 B licenses - antlerless whitetail

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 132

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 23	Antlered Buck, Either Species
Nov. 24 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Sept. 6 - Nov. 30	Both Deer A and Deer B licenses valid for antlerless whitetail in foothill portion of district only. Archery only from Sept. 6 - Oct. 25. Up to 2 antlerless whitetail deer B licenses, available for purchase from Kalispell FWP headquarters.

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

132-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	400 B licenses - antlerless whitetail

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Either Sex
Nov. 3 - Nov. 30	Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

132-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	20 permits for antlerless elk - valid in foothills portion of district only.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex

Hunting District 140

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 23	Antlered Buck, Either Species
Nov. 24 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

None

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 3	Either Sex
Nov. 3 - Nov. 30	Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex

Hunting District 141

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 23	Antlered Buck, Either Species
Nov. 24 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

None

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Either Sex
Nov. 3 - Nov. 30	Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

141-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	50 permits for antlerless elk - valid in Nyack portion of district only.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex

Hunting District 150

DEER

—General

Sept. 15 - Sept. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Oct. 1 - Oct. 30	Either Sex, Either Species
Oct. 31 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

None

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Sept. 14	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Sept. 15 - Sept. 30	Antlered Bull
Oct. 1 - Nov. 2	Either Sex
Nov. 3 - Nov. 30	Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Sept. 14	Either Sex

Hunting District 151

DEER

—General

Sept. 15 - Sept. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Oct. 1 - Oct. 15	Either Sex, Either Species
Oct. 16 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

None

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Sept. 14	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Sept. 15 - Sept. 30	Antlered Bull
Oct. 1 - Oct. 15	Either Sex
Oct. 16 - Nov. 30	Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Sept. 14	Either Sex

Hunting District 170

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Either Sex, Either Species - north portion of hunting district restricted to archery, shotgun, traditional handgun or muzzleloader only.
Sept. 6 - Nov. 30	Up to 2 antlerless whitetail deer B licenses available for purchase from the Kalispell FWP Headquarters only

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

None

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 25	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Either Sex - archery, shotgun, traditional handgun or muzzleloader only.

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex

Hunting District 200

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3- Nov. 30	Antlered Buck, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

200-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	200 B licenses - antlerless whitetail
200-02	Sept. 1 - Oct. 1	50 B licenses - antlerless whitetail valid in Boyd Mtn. area only.

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Sept 6 - Oct. 19	Archery Only, see page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Brow-Tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

200-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	125 permits for antlerless elk
200-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	50 permits for antlerless elk - valid in Boyd Mountain area only.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless

Hunting District 201

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3- Nov. 30	Antlered Buck, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

201-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	600 B licenses - antlerless whitetail
201-02	Sept. 1 - Oct. 1	120 B licenses - antlerless whitetail - valid in Four Mile area only.

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Archery Only, see page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Brow-Tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

201-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	100 permits for antlerless elk
201-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	25 permits for antlerless elk - valid in Fourmile area only

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless

Hunting District 202

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

202-01	Sept. 1 - Oct. 1	75 B licenses - antlerless whitetail - valid between Trout Creek and Quartz Creek only.
202-02	Sept. 1 - Oct. 1	75 B licenses - antlerless whitetail - valid in Marble Creek Area only.
202-03	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	600 B licenses - antlerless whitetail

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Archery Only, see page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Brow-Tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

202-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	100 permits for antlerless elk
202-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	150 permits for antlerless elk - valid between Trout Creek and Quartz Creek only
202-03	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	150 permits for antlerless elk - valid in Marble Creek Area only

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless

Hunting District 203

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

203-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	200 B licenses - antlerless whitetail

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Archery Only, see page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Brow-Tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

203-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	150 permits for antlerless elk - valid in all but the northwest one-fourth of district
203-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	25 permits for antlerless elk - valid in northwest one-fourth of district

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless Elk

Hunting District 204

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 15	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 16 - Nov. 30	Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

204-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	50 B licenses - antlerless whitetail - valid north of Eight Mile Creek

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Archery only, see page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Brow-Tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

204-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	50 A-7 antlerless elk licenses - valid north of Wheelbarrow Creek only
204-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	100 A-7 antlerless elk licenses - valid south of Wheelbarrow Creek only.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless Elk

Hunting District 210

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck , Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

210-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	25 B licenses - antlerless whitetail

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Archery Only, see page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

210-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	130 permits for antlerless elk - valid in northeast portion of district
210-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	125 permits for antlerless elk - valid in all but the northeast portion of district
210-03	Sept. 1 - Dec. 15	50 permits for antlerless elk - valid outside National Forest boundary only
299-00		See district 299, page 27

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex

Hunting District 211

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

None

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Archery Only, see page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

211-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	300 permits for antlerless elk
299-00		See district 299, page 27

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex

Hunting District 212

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

212-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	150 B licenses - antlerless whitetail
212-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	100 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Archery Only, see page 16. Also valid on Prison Ranch archery area Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 and Oct. 26 - Jan. 1, 1998

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 and reopens Oct. 26-Jan 1	Both deer A and HD 212 deer B licenses valid for either sex, either species. Prison Ranch Archery area only. Up to 5 deer B licenses available for purchase from Helena FWP Headquarters, Missoula FWP Headquarters and at license agents in Deer Lodge. Hunters must contact prison authorities for access.

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Brow-tined Bull - north of Boulder, Little Gold and Rock Creeks
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Antlered Bull, south of Boulder, Little Gold and Rock Creeks

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

212-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	400 permits for antlerless elk - valid in portion south of Boulder, Little Gold and Rock Creeks. Prison Ranch archery area - ARCHERY ONLY
212-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	200 permits for antlerless elk - valid in portion north of Boulder, Little Gold and Rock Creeks
212-03	Sept. 1 - Dec. 15	50 permits for antlerless elk - valid outside National Forest boundary only
299-00		See district 299, page 27

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex except Brow-tined Bull or Antlerless elk in portion north of Boulder, Little Gold and Rock Creeks
Oct. 26 - Jan. 1	Either Sex - ARCHERY ONLY Prison Ranch Archery Area only

Hunting District 213

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck, Either Species - Portion of district within the Warm Springs WMA restricted to archery, shotgun, traditional handgun and muzzleloader only.

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

213-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	50 B licenses - antlerless whitetail

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Archery Only, see page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

213-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	200 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex

Hunting District 214

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 3	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

None

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Archery Only, see page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

214-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	100 permits for antlerless elk
299-00		See HD 299, page 27

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex

Hunting District 215

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck, Either Species - Portion of district within the Warm Springs WMA restricted to archery, shotgun, traditional handgun and muzzleloader only.

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Archery only, see page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Brow-tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

215-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	250 permits for antlerless elk - valid north of Cottonwood Creek
215-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	200 permits for antlerless elk - valid south of Cottonwood Creek
215-03	Sept. 1 - Dec. 15	25 permits for antlerless elk - valid outside National Forest boundary only

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Brow-tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 216

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

216-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	40 B licenses - antlerless whitetail

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Archery Only, see page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

216-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	50 permits for antlerless elk - valid west of Rock Creek
216-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	200 permits for antlerless elk - valid east of Rock Creek
216-03	Sept. 1 - Dec. 15	25 permits for antlerless elk - valid outside the National Forest Boundary and in the West Fork Buttes area. Legal description and map of hunting area available from Missoula FWP Headquarters at 542-5500.
299-00		See HD 299, page 27

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex

Hunting District 240

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 15	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 16 - Nov. 30	Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

240-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	50 B licenses - antlerless whitetail

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Archery Only, see page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Brow-Tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

240-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	150 A-7 antlerless elk licenses - valid in portion north of One Horse Creek
240-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	200 A-7 antlerless elk licenses - valid in portion south of One Horse Creek

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 250

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 15	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 16 - Nov. 30	Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Archery Only, see page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Brow-Tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	100 A-7 antlerless elk licenses - not valid in Bear Cone Ridge Area

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 260

DEER

—General
None

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

260-01	Sept. 6 - Jan. 15	300 B licenses - either sex whitetail. ARCHERY ONLY. Not valid on Lee Metcalf Refuge.
260-02	Sept. 13 - Sept. 21	150 permits - antlerless whitetail - valid with any hunting district 260 deer B license - slug only shotgun or muzzleloader only. Up to a total of 5 deer B licenses available for purchase from Missoula FWP and Helena FWP Headquarters only. Not valid on Montana FWP lands or the Lee Metcalf Refuge. Questions regarding this season should be directed to the Missoula FWP Headquarters at 542-5500.

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Sept. 6 - Jan. 15	Archery Only, see page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Jan. 15	Either Sex Whitetail
Sept. 6 - Jan 15	Up to a total of 5 HD 260 deer B licenses , valid for antlerless whitetail - ARCHERY ONLY. These licenses are also valid in HDs 201 (Ninemile Portion), 203, 204, 240, 250, 261 and 270 through Jan. 15, 1996. Deer B licenses available for purchase from Helena and Missoula FWP Headwaters and some FWP license agents in Missoula and the Bitterroot Valley.

No more than a total of 5 antlerless B licenses may be purchased for Hunting District 260

ELK

—General
None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Jan. 15	Either Sex - Lee Metcalf National Wildlife Refuge closed.

Hunting District 261

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 -Nov. 15	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 16 - Nov. 30	Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

261-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	50 B licenses - antlerless whitetail

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Archery Only, see page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Brow-Tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

261-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	150 A-7 antlerless elk licenses - valid south of Willow Creek
261-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	80 A-7 antlerless elk licenses

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 270

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 15	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 16 - Nov. 30	Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

270-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	250 permits antlerless mule deer - valid north of Rye Creek This permit must be used with a valid deer A license.
270-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	50 B licenses - antlerless mule deer - valid in portion of district from French Basin Road to Guide Creek.

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Archery only, see page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Brow-Tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

270-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	200 A-7 antlerless elk licenses - valid in portion north of Sula Peak
270-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	550 A-7 antlerless elk licenses - valid in East Fork portion of district only

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 280

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Sept. 15 - Oct. 26	Antlered Buck, Either Species
Oct. 26 - Nov. 3	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Archery Only, see page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Sept. 14	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	Brow-Tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

280-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	250 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Sept. 14	Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 281

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

281-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	500 B licenses - antlerless whitetail

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Archery Only, see page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Brow-Tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

281-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	350 permits for antlerless elk
298-00		See district 298, page 27.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 282

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 10	Only hunters who hold an A-7 elk license for HD 282 may hunt either sex, either species deer using their deer A license.

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

282-00	Oct. 18 - Oct. 25	50 B licenses - antlerless either species.Deer B license holders may also use their Deer A license in this HD during this time period. The deer A license valid - either sex, either species.

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Sept. 6 - Oct. 17	Archery Only, see page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 17	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

282-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 10	50 A-7 antlerless elk licenses. Also valid in HD 285 from Oct. 26 - Nov. 30.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 17	Either Sex

Hunting District 283

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

283-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	300 B licenses - antlerless whitetail

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Archery Only, see page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

283-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	150 permits for antlerless elk
283-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	25 permits for antlerless elk - valid in Morrison Peak walk-in area only

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex

Deer & Elk Drawing only quotas are tentative

Hunting District 284

DEER

—General -
None

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Sept. 6 - Nov. 30 — Archery Only, see page 16.

—Archery
Sept. 6 - Nov. 2 — Either Sex, Either Species
Nov. 3 - Nov. 30 — Antlerled Buck, Either Species
Sept. 6 - Nov. 30 — Up to 2 deer B licenses, valid for antlerless whitetail - available for purchase from Helena and Missoula FWP Headquarters and at FWP license agents in Lincoln.

ELK

—General
None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex

Hunting District 285

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 2 — Antlered Buck Mule Deer, Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
285-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 300 B licenses - antlerless whitetail

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Archery Only, see page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
285-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 100 A-7 antlerless elk licenses
298-00 — See district 298, page 27.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 290

DEER

—General
None

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
290-00 Sept. 6 - Dec. 15 — Unlimited deer B licenses, valid for either sex, either species - ARCHERY ONLY.

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Sept. 6 - Dec. 15 — Archery Only, see page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Oct. 26 - Dec. 15 — Either Sex, Either Species
Sept. 6 - Dec. 15 — Up to a total of 5 HD 290 deer B licenses , valid for antlerless whitetail - available for purchase from Helena and Missoula FWP Headquarters and at FWP license agents in Lincoln.

ELK

—General
None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
298-00 — See district 298, page 27.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Dec. 15 — Either Sex

Hunting District 291

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 2 — Antlered Buck Mule Deer, Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
291-01 Nov. 3- Nov. 30 — 25 permits - antlered buck mule deer. This permit must be used with a valid deer A license. See Page 16 (Special Seasons and Drawings) for restrictions on deer permit.
291-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 10 B licenses - antlerless either species

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Archery Only, see page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
291-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 200 permits for antlerless elk
Dec. 1 - Jan. 1 — These same permits not valid on federal land.
298-00 — See district 298, page 27.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 292

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 2 — Antlered Buck Mule Deer, Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
292-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 200 B licenses - antlerless mule deer, valid east of Garnet Range Road and Bear Creek
292-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 200 B licenses - antlerless whitetail

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Archery Only, see page 16

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
292-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 100 permits for antlerless elk - valid east of the Garnet Range Road and Bear Creek
292-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 100 permits for antlerless elk - valid west of the Garnet Range Road and Bear Creek
292-03 Sept. 20 - Oct. 26 — 15 permits for antlerless elk - valid in portion of district south of Potomac. Also valid Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 west of the Garnet Range Road and Bear Creek
298-00 — See district 298, page 27.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 293

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 2 — Antlered Buck Mule Deer, Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 3 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
293-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 50 B licenses - antlerless whitetail

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Archery Only, see page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

Hunting District 293 Continued

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Brow-Tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

293-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 375 permits for antlerless elk

Dec. 2 - Jan 1 — These same permits are valid south of Trapper Mountain outside national forest boundary only.

293-02 Oct. 1 - Nov. 30 — 25 A-7 antlerless elk licenses valid on Sunny Slope Block Management Area. Also valid HD 298 wherever A-7 license is valid. Also valid on land owned by Sunny Slope Grazing Assn. and other landowners, as posted, within HD 284 restricted to slug only shotgun.

298-00 — See district 298, page 27.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

You will not find Hunting Districts numbered 298 and 299 on the accompanying maps because no such districts exist. These are administrative number used to identify a group of Hunting Districts for special licensing drawing purposes.

ELK - 298**

298-00 Oct. 1 - Nov. 30 — Unlimited A-7 antlerless elk licenses - valid on mostly private land outside the national forest boundary in the Ovando-Helmville area which includes portions of HDs 281, 285, portion of HD 290 (Oct. 20 - Nov. 30), 291, 292 and 293. Must apply as first and only choice. Legal description and map of hunting area available from Missoula FWP Headquarters at 542-5500.

ELK - 299

299-00 Oct. 26 - Dec. 31 — Unlimited A-7 antlerless elk licenses - valid on mostly private land outside the national forest boundary in the Philipsburg area which includes portions of HDs 210, 211, 212, 214 and 216. Must apply as first and only choice. Legal description and map of hunting area available from Missoula FWP Headquarters at 542-5500.

Hunting District 300

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

300-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 25 B licenses - antlerless either species

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Bull

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

300-00 Oct. 26 - Dec. 7 — 800 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 301

—Gallatin Valley Weapons Restricted Area - Deer & Elk hunting in portions of HDs 301, 311, 312 and 393 restricted to archery, shotgun, traditional handgun or muzzleloader only. Map available at FWP in Bozeman and at Bozeman license agents. Deer A and Single Region Antlerless Whitetail licenses may not be used in this area after November 30.

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

Oct. 26 - Jan. 15 — Gallatin Valley Weapons Restricted Area only. Up to two additional deer B licenses - antlerless whitetail - available from Bozeman FWP Headquarters only.

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

301-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 100 B licenses - antlerless either species

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Brow-Tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

301-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 600 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 302

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

302-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 25 B licenses - antlerless either species

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Brow-tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

302-00 Oct. 26 - Dec. 7 — 400 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Brow-Tined bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 310

—Gallatin Closed Area (buffer zone adjacent to Yellowstone National Park) - closed to big game hunting.

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

None

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Brow-Tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

310-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 7 — 50 permits for antlerless elk - valid west of Gallatin River

310-02 Nov. 23 - Nov. 30 — 50 permits for antlerless elk - valid west of Gallatin River

310-03 Jan. 2 - Jan 26 — 10 permits for brow-tined bull or antlerless elk only. Hunting by four day time periods.

310-04 Jan. 2 - Jan. 26 — 500 permits for antlerless elk. Hunting by two-day time periods

310-05 Jan. 2 - Jan. 26 — Unlimited permits for brow-tined bull or antlerless elk only (portion of Porcupine WMA). ARCHERY ONLY. Each permit holder will be sent a map and letter explaining regulations of the hunt and check in procedures.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Deer & Elk Drawing only quotas are tentative

Hunting District 311

—Gallatin Valley Weapons Restricted Area - Deer and Elk hunting in portions of HDs 301, 311, 312 and 393 restricted to archery, shotgun, traditional handgun or muzzleloader only. Maps available at FWP in Bozeman and at Bozeman license agents. Deer A and Single region Antlerless Whitetail licenses may not be used in this area after November 30.

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Oct. 26 - Jan. 15	Gallatin Valley Weapons Restricted area only. Up to two additional deer B licenses - antlerless whitetail - available from Bozeman FWP Headquarters only.

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

311-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	50 B licenses - antlerless either species

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	See page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Brow-Tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

311-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	350 permits for antlerless elk
311-02	Dec. 5 - Jan. 26	1,750 permits for antlerless elk. Hunting by two-day time periods. Valid on Flying D and adjacent property only.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 312

—Gallatin Valley Weapons Restricted area - Deer and Elk hunting in portions of HDs 301, 311, 312 and 393 restricted to archery, shotgun, traditional handgun or muzzleloader only. Map available at FWP in Bozeman and at Bozeman license agents. Deer A and Single Region Antlerless Whitetail licenses may not be used in this area after November 30.

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail.
Oct. 26 - Jan. 15	Gallatin Valley Weapons Restricted Area only. Up to two additional deer B licenses - antlerless whitetail - available from Bozeman FWP Headquarters only.

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

312-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	50 B licenses - antlerless mule deer - valid east of Springhill Rocky Mountain Road
312-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	50 B licenses - antlerless mule deer - valid west of Springhill Rocky Mountain Road.

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	See page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct 26 - Nov. 30	Brow-Tined Bull - south portion of Hunting District only.
Oct. 26 - Nov. 23	Brow-Tined Bull - north of Flathead Pass - Pass Creek roads and north of the east Gallatin River west of the Dry Creek Road. Legal description available at all FWP headquarters and FWP license agents in Park and Gallatin Counties.
Nov. 24 - Nov. 30	Antlerless Elk - north of Flathead Pass - Pass Creek roads and north of the east Gallatin River west of the Dry Creek Road. Legal description available at all FWP headquarters and FWP license agents in Park and Gallatin Counties.

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

312-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	200 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless

Hunting District 313

—Deckard Flats portion of HD 313, as posted, subject to closure of all hunting on 24 hours notice.

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 19	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 20 - Nov. 30	Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

313-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	250 B licenses - antlerless mule deer - valid north of Cedar Creek - Slip and Slide Creek Divide only.
313-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	50 B licenses - antlerless mule deer - valid south of Cedar Creek - Slip and Slide Creek Divide only.

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	See page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Brow-Tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

313-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	50 permits for antlerless elk
313-02	Jan. 2 - Feb. 16	140 permits for either brow-tined bull or antlerless elk only. Hunting by four day time periods. Permits also valid in portion of HD 314 as designated.
313-03	Jan. 2 - Feb. 16	2,870 permits for antlerless elk. Hunting by two-day time periods. Permits also valid in portion of HD 314 as designated.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless

Hunting District 314

DEER

—General -

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

314-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	350 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	See page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

314-01	Oct. 26 - Dec. 14	1500 permits for antlerless elk
314-02	Oct. 26 - Dec. 14	5 permits for either sex elk - youth (12 - 14 years of age) only - valid on lands designated by FWP. Successful applicants will receive a description of hunting area and instructions on how to participate. See page 17 for applicant criteria.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex

Hunting District 315

—Yellowstone River islands between the East Park Street Bridge at Livingston and one mile down stream of US Highway 89 Bridge restricted to ARCHERY ONLY.

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

315-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	300 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	See page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

Hunting District 315 Continued

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Antlered Bull
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
315-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 300 permits for antlerless elk
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 316

DEER

—General
Sept. 15 - Nov. 30 Antlered Buck, Either Species
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
None

ELK

—General
Sept. 15 - Oct. 25 Either Sex
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Antlered Bull
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None
—Archery Only Season
None

Hunting District 317

Yellowstone River islands between the East Park street bridge at Livingston and he mile downstream of US Highway 89 bridge restricted to ARCHERY ONLY.

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
317-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 50 B licenses - antlerless mule deer
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Antlered Bull
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
317-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 350 permits for antlerless elk - valid south of Suce Creek.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 318

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
318-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 50 B licenses - antlerless mule deer
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Brow-Tined Bull
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
318-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 300 permits for antlerless elk
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 319

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Antlered Buck, Either Species
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
319-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 25 B licenses - antlerless either species
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Brow-Tined Bull
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
319-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 350 permits for antlerless elk
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 320

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 15 Antlered Buck Mule Deer - 4 points or greater (western count) on at least one antler
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Either Sex Whitetail
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
320-01 Sept. 27 - Oct. 25 25 B licenses - antlerless whitetail - not valid on federal land
320-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 25 B licenses - antlerless either species
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Antlered buck mule deer, 4 points or greater (western count) on at least one antler, antlerless mule deer or either sex whitetail.

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Brow-Tined Bull
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
320-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 200 permits for antlerless elk
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 321

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Antlered Buck, Either Species
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Antlered Bull, north of Highway 43
Oct. 26 - Nov. 2 Either Sex - south of Highway 43
Nov. 3 - Nov. 30 Antlered Bull - south of Highway 43
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
321-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 600 permits for antlerless elk
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 322

DEER

—**General** - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—**Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)**
322-01 Sept. 27 - Oct. 25 — 25 B licenses - antlerless whitetail - not valid on federal land.
322-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 25 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

—**Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License**
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—**Archery Only Season**
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—**General**
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Brow-Tined Bull

—**Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)**
322-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 60 permits for antlerless elk

—**Archery Only Season**
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless Elk

Hunting District 323

DEER

—**General** - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck, Either Species

—**Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)**
323-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 25 B licenses - antlerless either species

—**Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License**
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—**Archery Only Season**
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—**General**
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Brow-Tined Bull

—**Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)**
323-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 12 — 500 permits for antlerless elk
323-02 Nov. 13 - Nov. 30 — 500 permits for antlerless elk

—**Archery Only Season**
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless Elk

Hunting District 324

DEER

—**General** - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—**Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)**
324-01 Sept. 27 - Oct. 25 — 50 B licenses - antlerless whitetail
324-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 25 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

—**Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License**
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—**Archery Only Season**
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—**General**
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Brow-Tined Bull

—**Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)**
324-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 12 — 500 permits for antlerless elk
324-02 Nov. 13 - Nov. 30 — 500 permits for antlerless elk

—**Archery Only Season**
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 325

DEER

—**General** - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—**Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)**
325-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 25 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

—**Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License**
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—**Archery Only Season**
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—**General**
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Brow-Tined Bull

—**Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)**
325-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 500 permits for antlerless elk

—**Archery Only Season**
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 326

DEER

—**General** - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—**Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)**
326-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 25 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

—**Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License**
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—**Archery Only Season**
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—**General**
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Brow-Tined Bull

—**Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)**
326-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 120 permits for antlerless elk

—**Archery Only Season**
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 327

DEER

—**General** - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck, Either Species

—**Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)**
None

—**Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License**
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—**Archery Only Season**
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—**General**
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Brow-Tined Bull

—**Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)**
327-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 800 permits for antlerless elk

—**Archery Only Season**
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 328

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

328-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 25 B licenses - antlerless either species

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

328-00 Oct. 26 - Dec. 7 — 600 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 329

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

329-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 25 B licenses - antlerless either species

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2 — Antlered Bull, except in portion of Big Hole drainage west of Governor Creek and Indian Creek

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2 — Either Sex, portion of Big Hole drainage west of Governor Creek and Indian Creek.

Nov. 3 - Nov. 21 — Antlered Bull

Nov. 22 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Bull, BLM land, state land*(designated by FWP), and all land within National Forest boundary.

Nov. 22 - Nov. 30 — Antlerless, private and state land*(designated by FWP) outside National Forest Boundary, excludes all land east of the Bannack-Grant Road.

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

329-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 500 permits for antlerless elk

329-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Unlimited A-7 (antlerless) elk licenses. Must apply as first and only choice.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

*Legal description and maps available at all FWP offices and license agents in hunting area

Hunting District 330

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

330-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 25 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Brow-Tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

330-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 450 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 331

DEER

—On Poindexter Slough Area south of Dillon, restricted to archery, shotgun, traditional handgun or muzzleloader only (Sections 26, 27, 34, and 35, T7S, R9W).

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

331-01 Sept. 27 - Oct. 25 — 100 B licenses - antlerless whitetail

331-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 25 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 21 — Antlered Bull

Nov. 22 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Bull, BLM land, state land and all land within the National Forest boundary.

Nov. 22 - Nov. 30 — Antlerless only on private land outside the National Forest boundary.

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

331-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 900 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

*Legal description and maps available at Bozeman and Helena FWP Headquarters and FWP license agents in area.

Hunting District 332

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

None

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 21 — Antlered Bull

Nov. 22 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Bull, BLM land, state land and all land within the National Forest boundary.

Nov. 22 - Nov. 30 — Antlerless only, private and state land*(designated by FWP) outside National Forest Boundary

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

332-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 800 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

*Legal description and maps available at Bozeman and Helena FWP Headquarters and FWP license agents in area.

Hunting District 333

DEER

—General- SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 15 — Antlered Buck Mule Deer - 4 points or greater (western count) on at least one antler

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

333-01 Sept. 28 - Oct. 25 — 25 B licenses - antlerless whitetail - not valid on federal land

333-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 25 B licenses - antlerless either species

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Antlered buck mule deer, 4 points or greater (western count) on at least one antler, antlerless mule deer or either sex whitetail.

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Brow-Tined Bull
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
333-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 400 permits for antlerless elk
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 335

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
335-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 100 B licenses - antlerless mule deer
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Brow-Tined Bull
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
335-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 300 permits for antlerless elk
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 339

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
339-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 25 B licenses - antlerless mule deer
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Spike Bull. Any elk having antlers which do not branch. If branched, branch must be less than four inches long measured from the main antler beam.
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
339-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 10 permits for either sex elk
339-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 400 permits for antlerless elk
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Antlerless elk or Spike Bull (Any elk having antlers which do not branch. If branched, branch must be less than four inches long measured from the main antler beam).

Holders of a valid either sex elk permit may harvest any elk.

Hunting District 340

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Antlered Buck, Either Species
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
340-01 Sept. 27 - Oct. 25 200 B licenses - antlerless whitetail - not valid on federal land
340-02 Sept. 27 - Oct. 25 15 B licenses - antlerless mule deer - valid in portion of district south of Bighole River
340-03 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 25 B licenses - antlerless either species
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Brow-Tined Bull
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
340-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 325 permits for antlerless elk
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 341

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Antlered Buck, Either Species
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
341-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 25 B licenses - antlerless either species
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Brow-Tined Bull
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
341-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 225 permits for antlerless elk
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 343

—Scratchgravel Hills portion of district restricted to archery, shotgun, traditional handgun or muzzleloader only.

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
343-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 100 B licenses - antlerless mule deer
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Brow-Tined Bull
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
343-00 Oct. 26 - Dec. 15 200 A-7 (antlerless) elk licenses - also valid in a portion of HD 293 (south of Poorman Road) Oct. 26-Nov. 30 only.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 350

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
350-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 25 B licenses - antlerless mule deer
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Brow-Tined Bull
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
350-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 150 permits for antlerless elk
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 360

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
360-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 50 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Brow-Tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
360-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 400 permits for antlerless elk
360-02 Dec. 1 - Dec. 8 — 50 permits for antlerless elk - valid in west one-half of district
360-03 Dec. 9 - Dec. 15 — 75 permits for antlerless elk - valid in west one-half of district
360-04 Dec. 16 - Dec. 22 — 75 permits for antlerless elk - valid in west one-half of district
360-05 Dec. 26 - Jan. 30 — 200 permits for antlerless elk - valid in west one-half of district. Hunting by seven-day time periods.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 361

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Brow-Tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
361-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 75 permits for antlerless elk - valid in east portion of district.
361-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 25 permits for antlerless elk - valid in west portion of district.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 362

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
362-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 25 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Brow-Tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
362-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 600 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 370

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
370-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 50 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Brow-Tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
370-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 175 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 380

—Portions of Canyon Ferry WMA restricted to archery, shotgun, traditional handgun or muzzleloader only.

—Helena Valley Regulating Reservoir closed to all hunting with the opening of waterfowl season.

—Muskrat Valley portion of district near Boulder restricted to archery, shotgun, traditional handgun or muzzleloader only.

—Prickly Pear Creek in the Helena Valley portion of district restricted to archery, shotgun, traditional handgun or muzzleloader only.

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
380-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 50 B licenses - antlerless mule deer - not valid on Canyon Ferry Wildlife Management Area
380-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 25 B licenses - antlerless mule deer - valid in Spokane Hills only.

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.(Not valid on Canyon Ferry WMA portion of district).

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Spike Bull. Any elk having antlers which do not branch. If branched, branch must be less than four inches long measured from the main antler beam .

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
380-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 100 permits for either sex elk
380-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 800 permits for antlerless elk
380-03 Sept. 1 - Oct. 25 — 300 permits for antlerless elk - valid south portion of district OUTSIDE National Forest Boundary only. Also valid Oct. 26 - Dec. 14 entire south portion of district including National Forest.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Antlerless elk or Spike Bull (Any elk having antlers which do not branch. If branched, branch must be less than four inches long measured from the main antler beam).

Holders of a valid either sex elk permit may harvest any elk.

Hunting District 390

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
390-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 50 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 23	Brow-Tined Bull - east portion of district*
Nov. 24 - Nov. 30	Antlerless - east portion of district *
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Brow-Tined Bull - west portion of district*

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

390-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	100 permits for antlerless elk - valid in west portion of district

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

*Legal description available at all FWP headquarters and FWP license agents in Park and Gallatin Counties (mostly private lands)

Hunting District 391

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

391-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	50 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	See page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Brow-tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

391-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	250 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 392

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

392-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	100 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	See page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Brow-Tined Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

392-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	100 permits for antlerless elk - valid in south portion of district from Duck Creek to White's Gulch.
392-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	300 permits for antlerless elk - valid in portion of district north of White's Gulch.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Brow-Tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 393

—Yellowstone River islands between the East Park street bridge at Livingston and one mile downstream of US Highway 89 bridge restricted to ARCHERY ONLY.

—Gallatin Valley Weapons Restricted area - Deer and elk hunting in portions of HDs 301, 311, 312 and 393 restricted to archery, shotgun, traditional handgun or muzzleloader only. Map available at FWP in Bozeman and at Bozeman license agents. Deer A and Single Region Antlerless Whitetail licenses may not be used in this area after November 30.

DEER

—General - SW MT Validation required to hunt Antlered Buck Mule Deer, see page 17

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Oct. 26 - Jan. 15	Gallatin Valley Weapons Restricted Area only. Up to two additional deer B licenses - antlerless whitetail - available from Bozeman FWP Headquarters only.

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

393-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	50 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	See page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Brow-Tined Bull - valid in south portion of district only.
Oct. 26 - Nov. 23	Brow-Tined Bull - valid in north portion of district only.*
Nov. 24 - Nov. 30	Antlerless elk - valid in north portion of district only*

*Valid in north portion of district north of Flathead Pass and Flathead Creek roads only. Legal description available at all FWP headquarters and FWP license agents in Park and Gallatin Counties.

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

393-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	175 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Brow-tined Bull or Antlerless elk

Hunting District 400

—Brinkman Game Preserve closed to all big game hunting except as designated below.

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 16	Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

400-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 16	200 B licenses - antlerless either species - valid entire Hunting District including Brinkman Game Preserve

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 16	See page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species including Brinkman Game Preserve

ELK

—General

None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

None

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex

Hunting District 401

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 16	Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

401-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 16	200 B licenses - antlerless either species

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 16	See page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

401-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	20 permits for either sex elk
401-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	75 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex

Hunting District 403

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 16 Either Sex, Either Species
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 16 See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
None
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
403-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 5 permits for either sex elk - also valid in HD 401
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 404

—Teton Spring Creek Bird Preserve closed to all big game hunting except as designated below.

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Either Sex, Either Species
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
404-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 200 B licenses - antlerless either species - valid entire Hunting District except Teton Spring Creek Preserve
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species
Sept 7 - Dec. 31 Either Sex, Either Species - Teton Spring Creek Preserve only.

ELK

—General
None
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 405

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Either Sex, Either Species
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
405-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 25 B licenses - antlerless either species
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
None
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 406

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 16 Either Sex, Either Species
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
406-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 16 100 B licenses - antlerless either species - valid entire Hunting District except Teton Spring Creek Preserve open to ARCHERY ONLY.
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 16 See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
None
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 410

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Either Sex, Either Species
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
410-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 25 B licenses - antlerless either species
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
None
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
410-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 55 permits for either sex elk
410-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 9 200 permits for antlerless elk
410-03 Nov. 10 - Nov. 30 200 permits for antlerless elk
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 411

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Either Sex, Either Species
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
411-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 200 B licenses - antlerless either species
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
None
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
411-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 70 permits for either sex elk - also valid in hunting districts 511 and 530
411-02 Oct. 20 - Nov. 30 225 permits for antlerless elk - also valid in Hunting Districts 511 and 530
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 412

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Either Sex, Either Species
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
412-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 50 B licenses - antlerless either species
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
None
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
412-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 25 permits for either sex elk
412-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 85 permits for antlerless elk
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 413

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species - The Missouri River between mouth of Sand Coulee Creek downstream to Great Falls City limits (this includes Park and Taylor Islands and all other unnamed islands is restricted to ARCHERY ONLY.

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 21 — Antlered Bull
Nov. 22 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
413-00 Oct. 20 - Nov. 30 — 200 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 415

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species.

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 2 — Either Sex
Nov. 3 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 416

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
416-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 100 B licenses - antlerless either species

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 21 — Antlered Bull
Nov. 22 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
416-00 Oct. 20 - Nov.30 — 400 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 417

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
417-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 100 B licenses - antlerless either species

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
417-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 125 permits for either sex elk
417-02 Oct. 20 - Nov. 30 — 250 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 418

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
418-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 100 B licenses - antlerless either species

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 22 — Antlered Bull
Nov. 23 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
418-00 Oct. 20 - Nov. 30 — 200 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 419

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
419-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 100 B licenses - antlerless either species

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 420

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
420-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 100 permits for either sex elk - also valid in Hunting District 448. See Hunting District 448 for antlerless elk permits.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 421

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
421-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 300 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
421-00 Oct. 21- Nov. 30 — 100 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 422

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 17 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 423

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 16 — Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 17 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
423-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 200 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 424

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 16 — Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 17 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Oct. 30 — Antlerless Elk
Oct. 31 - Until closed, but not later than Nov. 30. Quota 75 either sex through check station. May be closed on 12 hour notice. If quota is reached, season will remain open on brow-tined bull until Nov. 30.

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 425

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 16 — Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 17 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 2 — Antlerless elk, Sun River WMA open to hunters by permit only.

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
425-01 Oct. 20 - Oct. 25 — 25 permits for antlerless elk
425-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 2 — 15 permits for antlerless elk*
425-03 Nov. 3 - Nov. 10 — 15 permits for antlerless elk*
*Valid on Sun river WMA only.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 426

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
426-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 200 B licenses - antlerless either species

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
426-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 2 permits for either sex elk - also valid HD 417 from Nov. 11 - Nov. 30.
426-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 10 permits for antlerless elk - also valid HD 417 from Nov. 11 - Nov. 30.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 432

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 21 Antlered Bull
Nov. 22 - Nov. 30 Either Sex
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
432-00 Oct. 21 - Nov. 30 100 permits for antlerless elk
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 441

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 9 Antlered Buck Mule Deer
Nov. 10 - Nov. 30 Antlered Buck Mule Deer - valid within the National Forest boundary only.
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Either Sex Whitetail
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
441-01 Nov. 10 - Nov. 30 50 permits - antlered buck mule deer. Permit must be used with a valid deer A license. See Page (Special Seasons and Drawings) for restrictions on deer permit.
441-02 Nov. 10 - Nov. 30 200 B licenses - antlerless mule deer
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Antlered Bull - valid in Bob Marshall Wilderness only.
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
441-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 25 permits for either sex elk
441-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 125 permits for antlerless elk
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 442

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 16 Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
Nov. 17 - Nov. 30 Either Sex, Either Species
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Oct. 30 Antlerless Elk
Oct. 31 - Until closed, but no later than Nov. 30. Quota 150 either sex through check station. May be closed on 12 hour notice. If quota is reached, season will remain open on brow-tined bull until Nov. 30
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 444

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
444-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 50 B licenses - antlerless mule deer
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
None
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 445

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
445-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 200 B licenses - antlerless mule deer
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 20 - Oct. 26 Antlerless Elk
Oct. 27 - Nov. 8 Either Sex
Nov. 9 - Nov. 30 Antlerless Elk
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
445-01 Oct. 4 - Oct. 12 50 permits for antlerless elk
445-02 Nov. 9 - Nov. 30 50 permits for either sex elk
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 446

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Either Sex, Either Species
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 21 Antlered Bull
Nov. 22 - Nov. 30 Either Sex
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
446-00 Oct. 21 - Nov. 30 100 permits for antlerless elk
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 447

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Either Sex, Either Species
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
447-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 200 B licenses - antlerless mule deer - valid outside National Forest boundary only.
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
None
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
447-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 75 permits for either sex elk
447-02 Oct. 20 - Nov. 30 450 permits for antlerless elk
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex

Hunting District 448

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 21 — Antlered Bull
Nov. 22 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
448-00 Oct. 20 - Nov. 30 — 400 permits for antlerless elk - also valid in Hunting District 420 from Oct. 26 - Nov. 30. See Hunting District 420 for either sex elk permits.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 449

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Bull
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
449-00 Oct. 20 - Nov. 30 — 125 permits for antlerless elk.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 450

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
450-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 50 B licenses - antlerless mule deer
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
None
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
450-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 5 permits for either sex elk - also valid in Hunting District 441.
450-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 10 permits for antlerless elk - also valid in Hunting District 441.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 452

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 21 — Antlered Bull
Nov. 22 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
452-00 Oct. 20- Nov. 30 — 300 permits for antlerless elk
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 454

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 21 — Antlered Bull
Nov. 22 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
454-00 Oct. 20 - Nov. 30 — 250 permits for antlerless elk
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 455

DEER

—General
None
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
455-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 100 permits - either sex, either species. This permit must be used with a valid deer A license. See Page 16 (Special Seasons & Drawings) for restrictions on deer permit.
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
None
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
None
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
455-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 80 permits for either sex elk
455-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 1 — 140 permits for antlerless elk
455-03 Nov. 2 - Nov. 8 — 140 permits for antlerless elk
455-04 Nov. 9 - Nov. 15 — 140 permits for antlerless elk
455-05 Nov. 16 - Nov. 22 — 140 permits for antlerless elk
455-06 Nov. 23- Nov. 30 — 140 permits for antlerless elk

Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 471

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species
—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None
—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
None
—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None
—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Deer & Elk Drawing only quotas are tentative

Hunting District 500

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

500-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 50 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

597-00 — See district 597, page 42.

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

None

—Archery Only season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

500-01 Oct. 26 - Dec. 15 — 10 permits for either sex elk

500-02 Oct. 26 - Dec. 15 — 20 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only season

None

Hunting District 502

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

502-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 100 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

599-00 — See district 599, page 42.

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

None

—Archery Only season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

None

—Archery Only season

None

Hunting District 510

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 9 — Either Sex, Either Species

Nov. 10 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

599-00 — See district 599, page 42.

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

None

—Archery Only season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

None

—Archery Only season

None

Hunting District 511

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

598-00 — See district 598, page 42.

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

None

—Archery Only season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

Apply under HD 411

—Archery Only season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 520

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2 — Either Sex, Either Species

Nov. 3 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Buck Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

599-00 — See district 599, page 42.

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

None

—Archery Only season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Brow-Tined Bull - valid in portion of Hunting District between West Fork Rock Creek and Stillwater River. Portion of HD east of West Fork Rock Creek open to hunting by permit only.

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Bull - valid in portion of HD north and west of Stillwater River.

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

520-01 Oct. 26 - Dec. 31 — 30 A-7 (antlerless) elk licenses - valid between West Fork Rock Creek and East Rosebud.

520-02 Oct. 26 - Dec. 15 — 30 permits for antlerless elk - valid between East Rosebud and Stillwater River

520-03 Oct. 26 - Dec. 15 — 50 permits for antlerless elk - valid west and north of Stillwater River

520-04 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 75 permits for antlered bull elk - valid east of Rock Creek.

520-05 Oct. 26 - Dec. 15 — 10 permits for antlerless elk - valid east of Rock Creek

520-06 Nov. 8 - Dec. 15 — 45 permits for antlerless elk - valid east of Rock Creek.

520-07 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 20 permits for antlered bull - valid between Rock Creek and West Fork Rock Creek.

520-08 Oct. 26 - Dec. 15 — 20 permits for antlerless elk - valid between Rock Creek and West Fork Rock Creek.

—Archery Only season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex. Portion of district between West Fork Rock Creek and Stillwater River Brow-Tined Bulls or Antlerless Elk only.

Hunting District 530

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlerless Mule Deer or Either Sex Whitetail

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

530-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 800 permits - antlered buck mule deer. This permit must be used with a valid deer A license. See page 16 (Special Seasons & Drawings) for restrictions on deer permit.

530-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 100 B licenses - antlerless mule deer - valid east of Highway 87.

597-00 — See district 597, page 42.

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

None

—Archery Only season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

Apply under HD 411

—Archery Only season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 540

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
598-00 — See district 598, page 42.

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
None

—Archery Only season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
540-00 Oct. 20 - Nov. 30 — 125 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 560

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
599-00 — See district 599, page 42.

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
None

—Archery Only season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Bull

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
560-01 Oct. 26 - Dec. 15 — 300 permits for antlerless elk - valid in Main Boulder - Deer Creeks area.
560-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 40 permits for antlerless elk - valid in entire West Boulder drainage.

—Archery Only season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 570

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
598-00 — See district 598, page 42.

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
None

—Archery Only season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
570-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 10 permits for either sex elk
570-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 10 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only season
None

Hunting District 575

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
575-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 200 B licenses - antlerless mule deer
599-00 — See district 599, page 42.

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
None

—Archery Only season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
575-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 15 permits for either sex elk
575-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 20 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only season
None

Hunting District 580

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
598-00 — See district 598, page 42.

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
None

—Archery Only season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Antlered Bull-valid in portion of hunting district north of Sweet Grass Creek

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
580-01 Oct. 26 - Dec. 15 — 250 permits for antlerless elk - valid west of Miller Creek
580-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 10 permits for either sex elk - valid between Sweet Grass Creek and Big Timber Creek
580-03 Oct. 26 - Dec. 15 — 30 permits for antlerless elk - valid between Sweet Grass Creek and Big Timber Creek
580-04 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 10 permits for either sex elk - valid between Big Timber Creek and West Fork Duck Creek
580-05 Oct. 26 - Dec. 15 — 30 permits for antlerless elk - valid between Big Timber Creek and West Fork Duck Creek
580-06 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 75 permits for antlerless elk - valid between Miller Creek and Sweet Grass Creek

—Archery Only season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 590

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
590-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 50 B licenses - antlerless mule deer
597-00 — See district 597, page 42.

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
None

—Archery Only season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
590-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 9 — 25 permits for either sex elk - valid north of Yellowstone River.
590-02 Nov. 10 - Nov. 23 — 25 permits for either sex elk - valid north of Yellowstone River.
590-03 Oct. 26 - Nov. 11 — 60 permits for antlerless elk - valid north of Yellowstone River.
590-04 Nov. 12 - Nov. 28 — 60 permits for antlerless elk - valid north of Yellowstone River.
590-05 Nov. 29 - Dec. 15 — 60 permits for antlerless elk - valid north of Yellowstone River.
590-06 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 10 permits for either sex elk - valid south of Yellowstone River.
590-07 Oct. 26 - Dec. 15 — 15 permits for antlerless elk - valid south of Yellowstone River.

—Archery Only season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

ANTLERLESS WHITETAIL DEER - 597, 598 & 599

—You will not find Hunting Districts numbered 597, 598 and 599 on the accompanying maps because no such districts exist. They are simply administrative numbers used to identify a group of Hunting Districts for special licensing drawing purposes.

597-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	500 B licenses - antlerless whitetail - valid in HDs 500, 530 & 590.
598-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	1500 B licenses - antlerless whitetail - valid in HDs 511, 540, 570 & 580.
599-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	1200 B licenses - antlerless whitetail - valid in HDs 502, 510, 520, 560 & 575.

Hunting District 600

—Milk River WMA restricted to archery, shotgun, traditional handgun or muzzleloader only.

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Either Sex, Either Species
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	One multi-district deer B license , valid for antlerless whitetail, see page 16.

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

600-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	100 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	See page 16.

—Archery Only

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

None

Hunting District 610

—Rookery WMA restricted to archery, shotgun, traditional handgun or muzzleloader only.

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

610-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	100 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	See page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

None

Hunting District 620

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Either Sex, Either Species
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	One multi-district deer B license , valid for antlerless whitetail, see page 16.

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

620-00	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	10 B licenses - antlerless mule deer - also valid in HDs 621, 622 & 623

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	See page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

620-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	5 permits for either sex elk - also valid during HD 622-03 season type.
620-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	20 permits for antlerless elk - also valid during HD 622-04 season type.

—Archery Only Season

Special Permit Only	See HDs 621-05, 622-05, 623-05

Hunting District 621

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

See HD 620

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	See page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

621-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 9	10 permits for either sex elk
621-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 9	40 permits for antlerless elk
621-03	Nov. 10 - Nov. 30	10 permits for either sex elk
621-04	Nov. 10 - Nov. 30	40 permits for antlerless elk
621-05	Sept. 5 - Oct. 18	Unlimited permits for either sex elk - ARCHERY ONLY. Also valid in HDs 620,622 and 623. **Must apply as first and only choice.**

—Archery Only Season

Special Permit Only - See HDs 621-05, 622-05, 623-05. Elk archers in HD 621 may hunt on islands in the Missouri River adjacent to the elk hunting district where their ARCHERY ONLY elk permit is valid.

Hunting District 622

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

See HD 620

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	See page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General

None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

622-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 9	40 permits for either sex elk
622-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 9	150 permits for antlerless elk
622-03	Nov. 10 - Nov. 30	40 permits for either sex elk
622-04	Nov. 10 - Nov. 30	150 permits for antlerless elk
622-05	Sept. 5 - Oct. 18	Unlimited permits for either sex elk - ARCHERY ONLY. Also valid in HDs 620, 621 and 623. **Must apply as first and only choice.**

—Archery Only Season

Special Permit Only - See HDs 621-05, 622-05, 623-05

Hunting District 623

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Either Sex, Either Species

Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

See HD 620

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	See page 16.

—Archery Only Season

Sept. 6 - Oct. 19	Either Sex, Either Species

Hunting District 623 Continued

ELK

—General
None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

623-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 9	20 permits for either sex elk
623-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 9	75 permits for antlerless elk
623-03	Nov. 10 - Nov. 30	20 permits for either sex elk
623-04	Nov. 10 - Nov. 30	75 permits for antlerless elk
623-05	Sept. 5 - Oct. 18	Unlimited permits for either sex elk - ARCHERY ONLY. Also valid in HDs 620, 621 and 622. **Must apply as first and only choice.**

—Archery Only Season
Special Permit Only. See HDs 621-05, 622-05, 623-05. Elk archers may hunt on islands in the Missouri River adjacent to the elk hunting district where their ARCHERY ONLY elk permit is valid.

Hunting District 630

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Either Sex, Either Species
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	One multi-district deer B license valid for antlerless whitetail, see page 16.

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

630-01	Sept. 6 - Dec. 31	75 B licenses -antlerless mule deer. ARCHERY ONLY. Valid in portion of CMR Refuge at Fort Peck Dam Site and portion of Fort Peck Townsite.
630-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	10 B licenses - antlerless mule deer - also valid in HDs 631 and 632

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species
Portion of CMR Refuge*
Sept. 6 - Nov. 30 Either, Sex, Either Species
Dec. 1 - Dec. 31 Antlerless, Either Species

*That portion on the CMR Refuge at the Fort Peck Dam Site that has been closed to all big game hunting shall be open to ARCHERY ONLY as posted, EXCEPT the following areas shall remain closed to all big game hunting: portion of Fort Peck Townsite, Kiwanis Park, Wildlife Exhibition Closure and the Goose Pen.

ELK

—General
None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
Apply under HD 631-05 or 632-05

—Archery Only Season
Special Permit Only. See HD 631-05 or HD 632-05

Hunting District 631

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (apply by June 2, drawing only)
See HD 630

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

631-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 9	10 permits for either sex elk
631-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 9	15 permits for antlerless elk
631-03	Nov. 10 - Nov. 30	10 permits for either sex elk
631-04	Nov. 10 - Nov. 30	15 permits for antlerless elk
631-05	Sept. 5 - Oct. 18	200 permits for either sex elk - ARCHERY ONLY.- also valid in HD 630

—Archery Only Season
Special Permit Only. See HD 631-05

Hunting District 632

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
See HD 630

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)

632-01	Oct. 26 - Nov. 9	10 permits for either sex elk
632-02	Oct. 26 - Nov. 9	10 permits for antlerless elk
632-03	Nov. 10 - Nov. 30	10 permits for either sex elk
632-04	Nov. 10 - Nov. 30	10 permits for antlerless elk
632-05	Sept. 5 - Oct. 18	100 permits for either sex elk - ARCHERY ONLY - also valid in HD 630

—Archery Only Season
Special Permit Only. See HD 632-05

Hunting District 640

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Either Sex, Either Species
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	One multi-district deer B license,valid for antlerless whitetail, see page 16.

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
640-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 100 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

None

Hunting District 641

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Either Sex, Either Species
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	One multi-district deer B license, valid for antlerless whitetail, see page 16.

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
None

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

None

Hunting District 650

DEER

—General

Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	Either Sex, Either Species
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	One multi-district deer B license, valid for antlerless whitetail, see page 16.

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
650-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 50 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 Either Sex, Either Species
Portion of CMR Refuge*
Sept. 6 - Nov. 30 Either Sex, Either Species

—That portion on the CMR Refuge that has been closed to all big game hunting shall be open to archery only at the Fort Peck Dam site lying between the powerhouse and the spillway shotgun, traditional handgun or muzzleloader hunting during the general deer season.

ELK

None

Hunting District 651

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — One multi-district deer B license, valid for antlerless whitetail, see page 16.

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
651-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 100 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

None

Hunting District 652

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex Whitetail, Antlerless Mule Deer
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — One multi-district deer B license, valid for antlerless whitetail, see page 16.

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
652-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 200 permits - antlered buck mule deer. This permit must be used with a valid Deer A license. See Page 16 (Special Seasons & Drawings) for restrictions on deer permit.

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex Whitetail, Antlerless Mule Deer. Antlered Buck Mule Deer by permit only.

ELK

None

Hunting District 670

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — One multi-district deer B license, valid for antlerless whitetail, see page 16 .

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
670-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 75 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

None

Hunting District 680

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
680-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 100 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
Apply under HD 690-01, HD 690-02, and HD 690-03

—Archery Only Season
None

Hunting District 690

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — One multi-district deer B license , valid for antlerless whitetail, see page 16.

—Special Season (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
690-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 200 B licenses - antlerless mule deer

—Single region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
690-01 Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — 10 permits for either sex elk - ARCHERY ONLY
690-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 10 permits for either sex elk
690-03 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 50 permits for antlerless elk
All permits issued for HD 690 are also valid in HD 680.

—Archery Only Season
None

700 SERIES DISTRICTS

—One multi-district deer license is valid for antlerless whitetail in HD 703, see page 16.

DEER

—General
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Either Sex, Either Species - valid in any Hunting District beginning with No. 7
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — One multi-district deer B license, valid for antlerless whitetail in HD 703, see page 16.

—Deer B License (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
700-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 6,000 B licenses - antlerless mule deer. License valid in any hunting district beginning with No. 7

—Single Region Antlerless Whitetail B License
Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — See page 16.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex, Either Species

ELK

—General
None

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
See districts listed below.

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex. Hunting valid only in HDs 700, 701, 702 and 704. See individual hunting districts for specifics.

Hunting District 700

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
700-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 40 permits for either sex elk - also valid in HD 701
700-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 150 permits for antlerless elk

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 701

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
701-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — Apply under HD 700

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 702

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
702-00 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 1 permit for either sex elk - also valid in HD 700

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Hunting District 704

—Special Permit (Apply by June 2, drawing only)
704-01 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 10 permits for either sex elk
704-02 Oct. 26 - Nov. 30 — 15 permits for antlerless elk - also valid in HD 702

—Archery Only Season
Sept. 6 - Oct. 19 — Either Sex

Deer & Elk Drawing Statistics

1996 DEER B STATISTICS

DIST.	TOTAL QUOTA	1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS	DIST.	TOTAL QUOTA	1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS	DIST.	TOTAL QUOTA	1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS	DIST.	TOTAL QUOTA	1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS
100-00	300	964	291-02	10	173	335-00	100	334	445-00	200	321
102-00	800	1,620	292-01	200	224	339-00	25	303	447-00	200	595
103-00	100	471	292-02	200	237	340-01	200	520	450-00	50	18
104-00	100	256	293-00	50	85	340-02	15	4	500-00	50	402
120-00	100	177	300-00	25	109	340-03	25	221	502-00	100	195
121-00	1,200	1,089	301-00	100	220	341-00	25	179	510-00	25	36
122-00	200	472	302-00	25	78	343-00	100	304	511-00	25	116
123-00	100	93	311-00	50	264	350-00	25	124	520-00	100	170
124-00	100	100	312-01	50	187	360-00	50	210	530-02	100	204
130-00	750	970	312-02	50	47	362-00	25	47	530-03	25	64
132-00	400	223	313-01	250	118	370-00	50	109	540-00	50	23
200-01	200	212	313-02	50	56	380-01	50	549	560-00	50	139
200-02	50	5	314-00	350	370	380-02	25	61	570-00	50	258
201-01	600	584	315-00	300	378	390-00	50	57	575-00	200	384
201-02	120	52	317-00	50	80	391-00	50	156	580-00	25	285
202-00	600	634	318-00	50	115	392-00	100	459	590-00	50	449
203-00	200	421	319-00	25	279	393-00	50	369	597-00	500	340
204-00	50	202	320-01	25	220	400-00	200	224	598-00	1,500	644
210-00	25	59	320-02	25	67	401-00	200	190	599-00	1,200	619
212-01	150	144	322-01	25	212	404-00	200	173	600-00	100	146
212-02	25	197	322-02	25	24	405-00	25	96	610-00	100	64
213-00	50	29	323-00	25	91	406-00	100	72	620-00	10	384
216-00	40	61	324-01	50	44	410-00	25	94	630-00	10	183
240-00	50	386	324-02	25	198	411-00	200	343	640-00	100	39
260-01	30	74	325-00	25	311	412-00	50	93	650-00	50	199
260-02	300	403	326-00	25	123	416-00	100	102	651-00	100	118
261-00	50	47	328-00	28	44	417-00	100	550	670-00	75	318
270-02	50	186	329-00	25	99	418-00	100	100	680-00	100	197
281-00	500	550	330-00	25	251	419-00	100	87	690-00	200	537
282-00	50	278	331-01	100	127	421-00	300	219	700-00	6,000	5,011
283-00	300	305	331-02	25	80	426-00	200	271			
285-00	600	565	333-01	25	317	441-02	200	188			
290-00	UNLM	227	333-02	25	79	444-00	50	27			

1996 DEER PERMIT STATISTICS

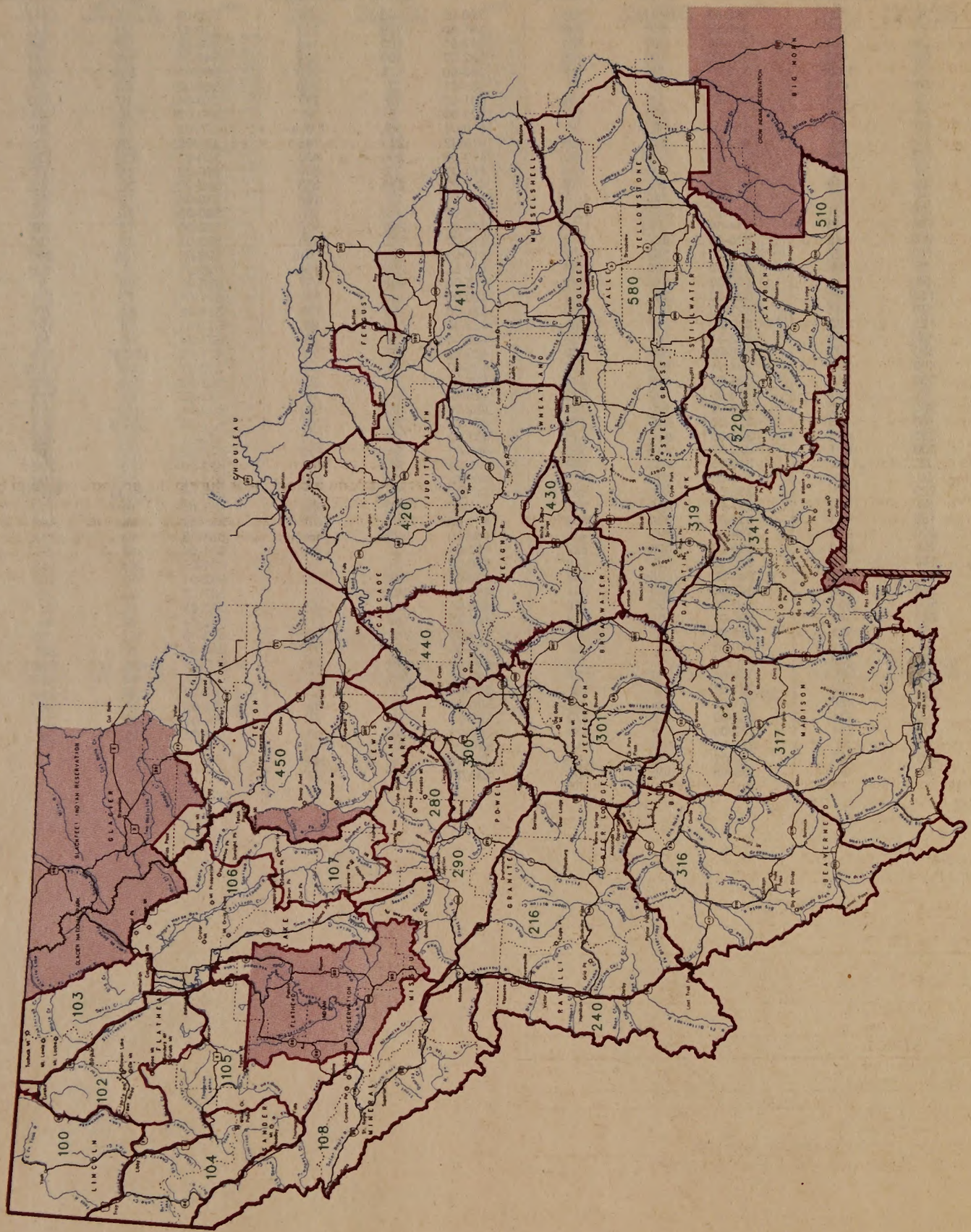
DIST.	TOTAL QUOTA	1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS	DIST.	TOTAL QUOTA	1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS	DIST.	TOTAL QUOTA	1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS	DIST.	TOTAL QUOTA	1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS
260-03	150	720	291-01	25	838	455-00	100	775	652-00	200	1,589
270-01	250	434	441-01	50	985	530-01	800	1,613			

Deer & Elk Drawing Statistics

1996 ELK PERMIT STATISTICS

DIST.	TOTAL QUOTA	1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS
101-01	10	52
101-02	20	160
102-00	20	114
120-00	20	132
121-00	300	1,008
122-00	50	414
123-00	75	155
124-00	75	135
132-00	20	36
141-00	50	63
200-01	125	264
200-02	50	33
201-01	100	355
201-02	25	31
202-01	100	351
202-02	150	192
202-03	150	142
203-01	150	427
203-02	25	46
204-01	50	116
204-02	100	131
210-01	130	141
210-02	125	120
210-03	50	159
211-00	300	307
212-01	400	375
212-02	200	315
212-03	50	151
213-00	200	180
214-00	100	108
215-01	250	413
215-02	200	241
215-03	25	78
216-01	50	42
216-02	200	96
216-03	50	110
240-01	150	155
240-02	200	213
250-00	100	340
261-01	150	160
261-02	80	106
270-01	200	262
270-02	550	331
280-00	250	99
281-00	350	811
282-00	50	520
283-01	150	337
283-02	25	47
285-00	100	222
291-00	200	488
292-01	100	424
292-02	100	291
292-03	15	51
293-01	375	757
293-02	25	34
298-00	UNLM	538
300-00	800	388
301-00	600	551
302-00	400	306
310-01	50	64
310-02	50	37
310-03	10	354
310-04	500	507
310-05	UNLM	91
311-01	350	156
311-02	1,750	1,507
312-00	200	219
313-01	50	118
313-02	140	4,133
313-03	2,870	4,259
314-00	1,500	1,252
315-00	300	318
317-00	350	137
318-00	300	484
319-00	350	743
320-00	200	334
321-00	600	730
322-00	60	56
323-01	500	220
323-02	500	162
324-01	500	745
324-02	500	516
325-00	500	633
326-00	120	105
327-00	800	770
328-00	600	483
329-00	850	350
330-00	400	738
331-00	900	1,019
332-00	800	824
333-00	400	376
335-00	300	532
339-01	10	40
339-02	400	322
340-00	325	579
341-00	225	336
343-00	200	321
350-00	150	238
360-01	400	212
360-02	50	21
360-03	75	39
360-04	75	72
360-05	200	377
361-01	75	62
361-02	25	44
362-00	600	229
370-00	175	138
380-01	100	2,348
380-02	700	1,104
380-03	300	455
390-00	100	58
391-00	250	221
392-01	100	141
392-02	300	621
393-00	175	273
401-01	20	380
401-02	75	217
403-00	5	39
410-01	55	2,094
410-02	200	748
410-03	200	435
411-01	70	596
411-02	225	313
412-01	25	194
412-02	85	91
413-00	200	118
416-00	400	395
417-01	125	1,168
417-02	250	434
418-00	200	137
420-00	100	286
421-00	100	118
423-00	200	96
425-01	25	83
425-02	15	26
425-03	15	59
426-01	2	35
426-02	10	19
432-00	100	130
441-01	25	231
441-02	125	210
445-01	50	193
445-02	50	324
446-00	100	203
447-01	75	977
447-02	450	530
448-00	400	449
449-00	125	146
450-01	5	74
450-02	10	14
452-00	300	139
454-00	250	417
455-01	80	455
455-02	140	111
455-03	140	26
455-04	140	37
455-05	140	28
455-06	140	37
500-01	10	128
500-02	20	53
520-01	30	86
520-02	30	90
520-03	50	104
520-04	75	187
520-05	10	39
520-06	45	112
520-07	20	122
520-08	20	54
540-00	125	197
560-01	300	246
560-02	40	54
570-01	10	103
570-02	10	28
575-01	15	80
575-02	20	36
580-01	250	275
580-02	10	79
580-03	30	32
580-04	10	65
580-05	30	40
580-06	75	69
590-01	50	781
590-02	180	245
620-01	5	29
620-02	20	8
621-01	10	221
621-02	40	87
621-03	10	127
621-04	40	56
621-05	UNLM	375
622-01	40	1,453
622-02	150	545
622-03	40	832
622-04	150	270
622-05	UNLM	554
623-01	20	422
623-02	75	197
623-03	20	276
623-04	75	106
623-05	UNLM	312
631-01	10	170
631-02	15	108
631-03	10	112
631-04	15	53
631-05	200	163
632-01	10	206
632-02	10	72
632-03	10	81
632-04	10	44
632-05	100	126
690-01	10	265
690-02	50	166
700-01	40	709
700-02	150	245
702-00	1	16
704-01	10	221
704-02	15	33

Black Bear



Map only intended as a guide - please refer to the legal descriptions for actual boundaries.

CLOSED TO HUNTING FOR BIG GAME

Black Bear - There is no grizzly bear hunting season.

LICENSES & GENERAL INFORMATION

- A hunter may purchase only one black bear license per year.
- Black bear licenses are available at all Fish, Wildlife & Parks offices and most license agents throughout the state.
- A hunter may legally take one black bear per license year. Female bears with young and individual cubs may not be harvested.
- All districts listed below shall be open to hunting of black bear of either sex.
- The black bear license, properly validated, must be attached to the hide of the bear immediately upon kill. The license is to remain attached to the hide until the bear hide is tanned and then the license is to remain with the greatest portion of the carcass.
- Evidence of sex must remain naturally intact to the hide.
- A hunter harvesting a black bear must, if required by the department, physically go back to the kill site for inspection.
- It is illegal to bait bears or to hunt bears with dogs. No scents may be used to attract black bears.
- There is no ARCHERY ONLY season for black bear.
- It is unlawful to sell or purchase any part of a black bear except as specifically permitted by the laws of Montana.
- The penalty for the unlawful sale may be a fine of $10,000 and/or imprisonment in the state prison for a term of one year.
- The sale or purchase of hides, heads or mounts of lawfully killed black bear is legal.
- All Wildlife Management Areas, unless otherwise posted, with big game winter range in administrative regions 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 are closed to public entry from the day following the end of general deer/elk/bear season, or December 1, whichever is later, to May 15 each year. EXCEPTION: Blackfoot-Clearwater WMA closes November 10.
- All National Wildlife Refuges are closed to black bear hunting.
- Hunters are prohibited from wasting black bear meat unless determined to contain trichinella. No replacement license will be issued for black bear which are determined to contain trichinella (ARM12.3.404).
- Trichinella Testing - This testing is optional and free-of-charge. Send one-third of the tongue or equal size muscle tissue to: FWP Wildlife Research Lab, Box 173220, Bozeman, MT 59717-3220.

MANDATORY REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

- Within five (5) days of harvesting a black bear (or within five days of arriving at a trailhead in backcountry areas) the successful hunter must present to an official of the department the complete bear hide and skull for the purpose of inspection and removal of a tooth (for aging).
- See SPECIAL REQUIREMENT FOR SPRING BLACK BEAR HUNTING IN HUNTING DISTRICTS 510 & 520.

GENERAL SEASONS

100 SERIES DISTRICTS

	Apr. 15 - May 15 Sept. 15 - Nov. 30
Exceptions	
103, 106, 107	Apr. 15 - May 31 Sept. 15 - Nov. 30

200 SERIES DISTRICTS

	Apr. 15 - May 15 Sept. 15 - Nov. 30
Exceptions:	
240, 216	Apr. 15 - May 31 Sept. 15 - Nov. 30

Lincoln Archery District - Deer/Elk/Lion district 284 - Archery Only.

Deer/Elk/Lion District 282 (portion of Bear HD 280) - valid Sept. 15 - Nov. 10

300 SERIES DISTRICTS

	Apr. 15 - May 31 Sept. 15 - Nov. 30
Exceptions:	
300	Apr. 15 - May 15 Sept. 15 - Nov. 30
316 & 341	Apr. 15 - Jun. 15 Sept. 7 - Nov. 30

Gallatin Closed Area (portion of hunting district 341) - buffer zone adjacent to Yellowstone National Park closed to all hunting of black bear.

Deckard Flats - Eagle Creek portion of hunting district 341 as posted, subject to closure of all hunting on 24 hour notice.

400 SERIES DISTRICTS

	Apr. 15 - May 31 Sept. 15 - Nov. 30

500 SERIES DISTRICTS

Hunting Districts	Season Opens-Closes	Total Quota	Female Subquota
Spring Season:			
580	Apr. 15 - May 31	no quota	
510	Apr. 15 - May 31	9	3
520	Apr. 15 - May 31	20	6
Fall Season:			
580	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	no quota	
510	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	no quota	
520	Oct. 26 - Nov. 30	no quota	

When the quota or sub-quota is reached in the hunting district, the black bear season for that area will close upon 48 hours notice, but no later than last date of season shown in the regulations.

Any person taking a black bear during the spring season in Hunting Districts 510 or 520 must personally report their black bear kill within 48 hours to an officer of the department in administrative Region 5 and must personally present the hide and skull within 5 days to an officer of the department residing in Region 5 for purposes of inspection, recording sex and removing a tooth for aging. The hide and head must be retained even though damaged.

- ATTENTION: It is the hunter's responsibility to be aware of season status. Current spring black bear harvest information for Region 5 may be obtained by calling the 24 hour information line 1-406-247-2970 for touch tone phones, or 1-406-247-2940 from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday - Friday for rotary phones.

KNOW YOUR TARGET - See back cover for bear identification and information.

Mountain Lion

Mountain Lion Questions & Answers

Where are the Mountain Lion Hunting Regulations and how can I obtain them?

Beginning in 1997, mountain lion hunting regulations will be printed separately from the Big Game Hunting Regulations so that the final district quotas adopted by the FWP Commission in June can be included. The regulations will be available at all FWP offices by July 15. Including the final quotas, as requested by lion hunters, will facilitate their tracking of the quotas and harvest when using the toll free hot line for current harvest i nformation during the lion season.

How can I obtain a Mountain Lion License?

Applications for a mountain lion license can be obtained from FWP Headquarters and FWP Regional Offices. Applications must be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service no later than August 31, 1997. It takes approximately 3-4 weeks to obtain a license by mail. Licenses can also be purchased in person at FWP Headquarters and FWP Regional Offices.

Hound handlers must also obtain a free hound handler permit no later than August 31, 1997, to hunt OR chase mountain lions. A hound handler permit can be obtained in the same manner as a mountain lion license.

When will the 1997 mountain lion season be held?

There will be two mountain lion hunting seasons in 1997. A season without the use of dogs will be held in northwestern Montana (100 Series Deer, Elk, Lion Hunting Districts) from October 26 - November 30, 1997. This season will close when 20% of the quota established for the area has been reached but no later than November 30, 1997.

The season with the use of dogs will be held statewide from December 1, 1997 - February 15, 1998. Quotas will be established for each hunting area and the season will close on 24 hours notice when the quota in each area is reached, but no later than February 15.

It is mandatory for all hunters harvesting a mountain lion to report their kill to an officer of FWP in the administrative region where the kill was made.

Is there a Chase Only Season in Montana in 1997?

The chase only season will be statewide from February 16 - April 30, 1998. Hound handlers must have obtained a free houndhandler permit by August 31 in order to chase mountain lions during the chase only season. Persons accompanying hound handlers during the chase season are not required to possess hound handler permits.

Antelope

Region 2&3

Map only intended as a guide - please refer to the legal descriptions for actual boundaries.

CLOSED TO HUNTING FOR BIG GAME

Antelope

PETROLEUM
481
FERGUS
480
420
JUDITH
471
430
473
470
LIBERTY
401
404
TOOLE
PONDERA
CASCADE
413
450
440
455
MEAGHER
490
491
LEWIS AND CLARK
444
Charles M. Russell N.
Robinson Bridge
Box Elder Cr.
Winnett
Grassrange
Fk. McDonald Cr.
Fk. Flatwillow Cr.
Missouri River
Arrowhead Cr.
Dog Cr.
Winifred
Hilger
Lewistown
Judith R.
Moore
Carneill
Flat Cr.
Geraldine
Fort Benton
Geyser
Stanford
Judith R.
Milk River
Belt Cr.
Belt
Kings Hill
Creek Rd.
Fk. Musselshell R.
Musselshell R.
White Sulphur Springs
Ringling
Eagle Cr.
Chester
Marias R.
Willow Cr.
Shelby
Marias R.
Pondero Coulee
Teton R.
Falls
Smith R.
Tenderfoot Cr.
Sheep Cr.
Newlon
Beaver Cr.
Rock Cr.
Hound Cr.
Sun R.
Cascade
Missouri R.
Fairfield
Simms
Craig
Holter Lake
Wolf Creek
Lyons Cr.
Rogers Pass
Augusta
Deep Cr.
Muddy Cr.
Teton R.
Conrad
Vaier
Dupuyer
Bynum
Choteau
Teton Canyon Road
Ear Mt
Castle Reef
Deerboro Cr.
Sawmill Gulch
Big Log Gulch
Big Log Gulch
Big Log

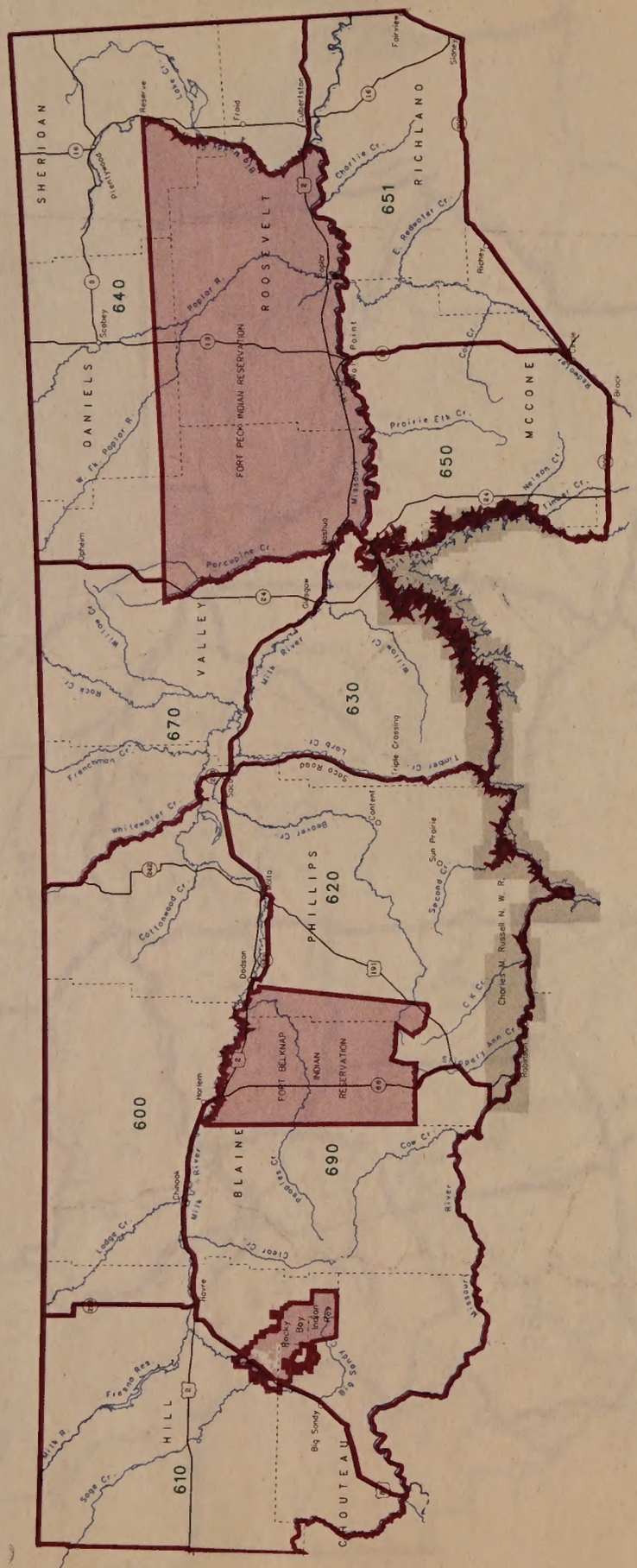
Antelope

Region 5

Map only intended as e guide - please refer to the legal descriptions for actual boundaries.

CLOSED TO HUNTING FOR BIG GAME

Antelope

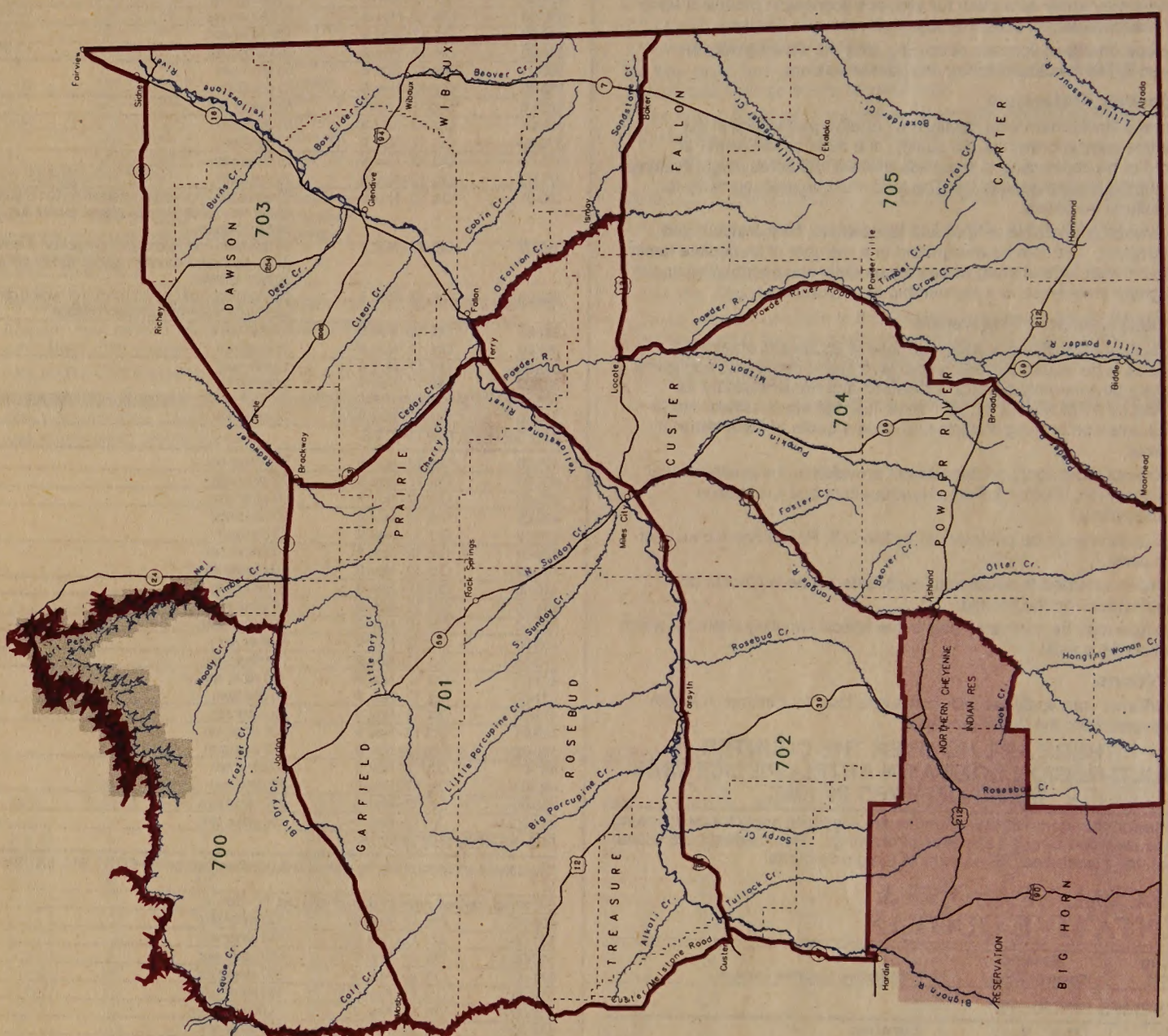


CLOSED TO HUNTING FOR BIG GAME

Region 6

Map only intended as a guide - please refer to the legal descriptions for actual boundaries.

Antelope



Region 7

Map only intended as a guide - please refer to the legal descriptions for actual boundaries.

CLOSED TO HUNTING FOR BIG GAME

Antelope License quotas are tentative

LICENSES & GENERAL INFORMATION

- Antelope licenses are awarded through special drawings.
- Applications must be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service no later than June 2.
- License holders may legally take one antelope subject to all specifications on the license.
- Hunters may apply as a party for antelope licenses in groups of up to five. If successful, all party members will receive a license.
- Antelope doe/fawn licenses remaining after the drawing may be offered to the successful either sex license holders.

Landowner Preference

- Montana landowners who qualify may receive preference in the antelope special drawings. To qualify, one must be the owner of record or be contracting to purchase at least 160 acres of land within the hunting district applied for. The land must be used primarily for agricultural purposes.
- Preference is available to Montana landowners, both resident and nonresident, and can be designated to a member of immediate family (blood or marriage related) or employee. Only one person may use or designate preference in a partnership or corporation.

Disabled Resident Preference

- Legislation established a statewide total of 25 special antelope licenses to be issued through a special drawing process to applicants who are permanently physically disabled and nonambulatory as defined by ARM rule 12.3.106. These licenses are available only in those antelope hunting districts that have a quota of 50 or more licenses.
- Applicants must apply on department provided forms available at all Regional Fish, Wildlife & Parks Headquarters and the Helena Headquarters.
- Applications must be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service no later than June 2.
- Licenses awarded to successful applicants will be subject to all specifications on the license.
- Antelope may be harvested only in the specific hunting district in which the license is valid.

Definitions

- Doe/Fawn - any antelope with horns less than four inches in length measured from the top of the skull.

THERE ARE NO OVER THE COUNTER MULTI-REGION DOE/FAWN ANTELOPE LICENSES BEING OFFERED IN 1997.

Both resident and nonresident hunters are eligible to apply for the following license awarded through the special drawings. Nonresidents are limited to, but not guaranteed, 10 percent of a region's quota.

SPECIAL SEASONS & TENTATIVE QUOTAS

Hunting District	Season Opens-Closes	Tentative License Quotas
200 SERIES DISTRICTS		
215-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	2 either sex
215-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	4 doe/fawn
300 SERIES DISTRICTS		
300-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	300 either sex
300-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	50 doe/fawn
301-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	75 either sex
301-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	10 doe/fawn
310-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	175 either sex
310-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	100 doe/fawn
311-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	75 either sex
313-00	Sept. 1 - Oct. 2	5 either sex
318-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	150 either sex
319-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	35 either sex
320-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	150 either sex
320-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	25 doe/fawn
321-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	250 either sex
321-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	25 doe/fawn
329-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	175 either sex
329-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	10 doe/fawn
330-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	250 either sex
330-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	25 doe/fawn
338-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	150 either sex
339-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	150 either sex
340-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	100 either sex
341-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	300 either sex
350-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	50 either sex
350-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	50 doe/fawn
360-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 9	400 either sex
370-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	50 either sex
370-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	75 doe/fawn
371-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	25 either sex
371-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	25 doe/fawn
380-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	50 either sex - not valid in southern portion of hunting district near subdivisions as posted, except during archery season.
380-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	50 doe/fawn - not valid in southern portion of hunting district near subdivisions as posted, except during archery season.
380-03	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	50 either sex - valid in north portion of hunting district. Landowner may restrict type of weapon.
381-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	5 either sex
381-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	15 doe/fawn
382-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	1 either sex*
382-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	5 doe/fawn*
Scratchgravel Hill portion of district - archery, shotgun, traditional handgun or muzzleloader only.		
390-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	75 either sex
400 SERIES DISTRICTS		
401-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	225 either sex
404-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	75 either sex
413-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	50 either sex
420-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	25 either sex
420-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	25 doe/fawn
430-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	150 either sex
430-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	100 doe/fawn
440-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	50 either sex
444-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	50 either sex
450-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	100 either sex
455-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	5 either sex
470-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	75 either sex
471-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	100 either sex
471-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	50 doe/fawn
473-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	35 either sex
480-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	200 either sex
480-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	100 doe/fawn
481-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	50 either sex
481-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	50 doe/fawn
490-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	250 either sex
491-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	150 either sex
500 SERIES DISTRICTS		
*Successful applicants may be offered one doe/fawn license in HD 511, 513, 530 and 571		
500 series doe/fawn antelope license valid Oct. 12 - Dec. 1		
500-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	300 either sex
501-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	550 either sex
510-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	600 either sex
511-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	250 either sex*
512-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	150 either sex
513-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	1,000 either sex*
514-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	150 either sex
530-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	1,400 either sex*
540-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	100 either sex
550-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	200 either sex
560-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	750 either sex
570-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	750 either sex
571-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	500 either sex*
572-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	150 either sex
590-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	650 either sex

Antelope License quotas are tentative

Hunting District	Season Opens-Closes	Tentative License Quotas
600 SERIES DISTRICT		
600-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	800 either sex
600-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	50 doe/fawn
610-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	100 either sex
620-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	1,000 either sex
620-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	50 doe/fawn
630-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	300 either sex
630-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	50 doe/fawn
640-00	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	100 either sex
650-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	400 either sex
650-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	50 doe/fawn
651-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	100 either sex
651-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	50 doe/fawn
670-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	500 either sex
670-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	50 doe/fawn
690-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	750 either sex
690-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	50 doe/fawn
700 SERIES DISTRICT		
700-01	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	13,000 either sex
700-02	Oct. 12 - Nov. 9	3,000 doe/fawn.
License valid in any hunting districts beginning with number 7		

ARCHERY

- All licenses to hunt antelope are awarded through the special drawings.
- Archers must hold a valid antelope license to hunt during the ARCHERY ONLY season.
- ARCHERY ONLY season is September 6 through October 11, 1997.
- All legally described antelope hunting districts are open to ARCHERY ONLY for antelope subject to the district, sex, species and any special restrictions listed on the license.

WHAT ARCHERY EQUIPMENT IS LEGAL TO USE DURING THE ARCHERY ONLY SEASON?

- Only a long, recurve or compound bow may be used during the archery only season.
- Arrows must have broadheads with at least two cutting edges to hunt big game animals.

ARCHERY EQUIPMENT THAT IS PROHIBITED FROM BEING USED DURING THE ARCHERY ONLY SEASON IS DESCRIBED BELOW:

- A crossbow or any other device that is attached to any bow that holds an arrow at partial or full draw.
- A bow sight, bow or arrow which uses artificial light, luminous chemicals such as tritium or electronics.
- Use of any chemical or explosive device attached to an arrow to aid in the taking of wildlife is prohibited at all times.

Multi-Region ARCHERY ONLY

900-00	Sept. 6 - Nov. 9	Unlimited Licenses - either sex - ARCHERY ONLY

- Applications must be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service no later than June 2.
- Hunters who apply for hunting district 900 must list this as their first and only district choice.
- These licenses are valid in the following antelope hunting districts: any hunting district beginning with the number 3 (except 319 and 382), any hunting district beginning with the number 4 (except 455); and any hunting district beginning with the number 5, 6, 7.
- Archers using this license during the antelope "gun" season must wear hunter's orange.

1996 ANTELOPE STATISTICS

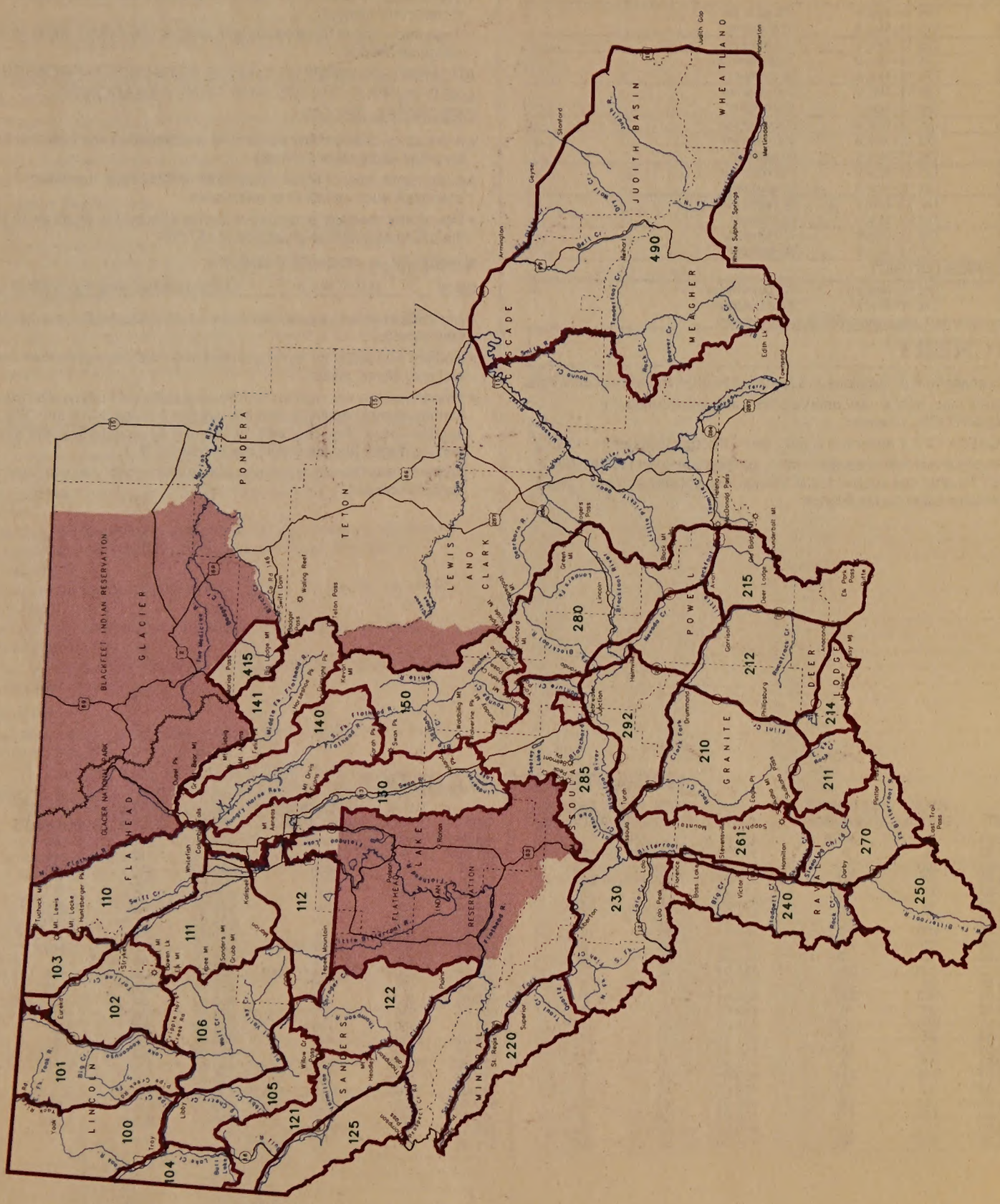
DIST.	TOTAL QUOTA	1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS
215-01	2	43
215-02	4	9
300-01	300	728
300-02	50	32
301-01	75	112
301-02	10	4
310-01	175	473
310-02	100	60
311-00	75	231
313-00	5	48
318-00	150	240
319-00	35	123
320-01	150	242
320-02	25	9
321-01	250	1,127
321-02	25	28
329-01	175	380
329-02	10	8
330-01	250	595
330-02	25	18
338-00	150	231
339-00	150	118
340-00	100	171
341-00	300	449

DIST.	TOTAL QUOTA	1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS
350-01	50	119
350-02	50	9
360-00	400	675
370-01	50	201
370-02	75	37
371-01	25	130
371-02	25	19
380-01	50	129
380-02	50	35
380-03	50	92
381-01	5	31
381-02	15	9
382-01	1	21
382-02	5	3
390-00	75	174
401-00	225	724
404-00	75	413
413-00	50	96
420-01	25	187
420-02	25	2
430-01	150	287
430-02	100	3
440-00	50	264
444-00	50	202

DIST.	TOTAL QUOTA	1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS
450-00	100	396
455-00	5	52
470-00	75	288
471-01	100	195
471-02	50	0
473-00	35	194
480-01	200	944
480-02	100	15
481-01	50	572
481-02	50	11
490-00	250	286
491-00	150	190
500-00	300	416
501-00	550	812
510-00	600	762
511-00	250	410
512-00	150	164
513-00	1,000	1,240
514-00	150	249
530-00	1,400	1,531
540-00	100	278
550-00	200	342
560-00	750	1,279
570-00	750	770

DIST.	TOTAL QUOTA	1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS
571-00	500	646
572-00	150	146
590-00	650	779
600-01	800	1,216
600-02	50	7
610-00	100	281
620-01	1,000	2,215
620-02	50	4
630-01	300	546
630-02	50	3
640-00	100	156
650-01	400	529
650-02	50	3
651-01	100	310
651-02	50	3
670-01	500	594
670-02	50	5
690-01	750	1,278
690-02	50	5
700-01	13,000	14,548
700-02	3,000	23
900-00	UNLM	1,585

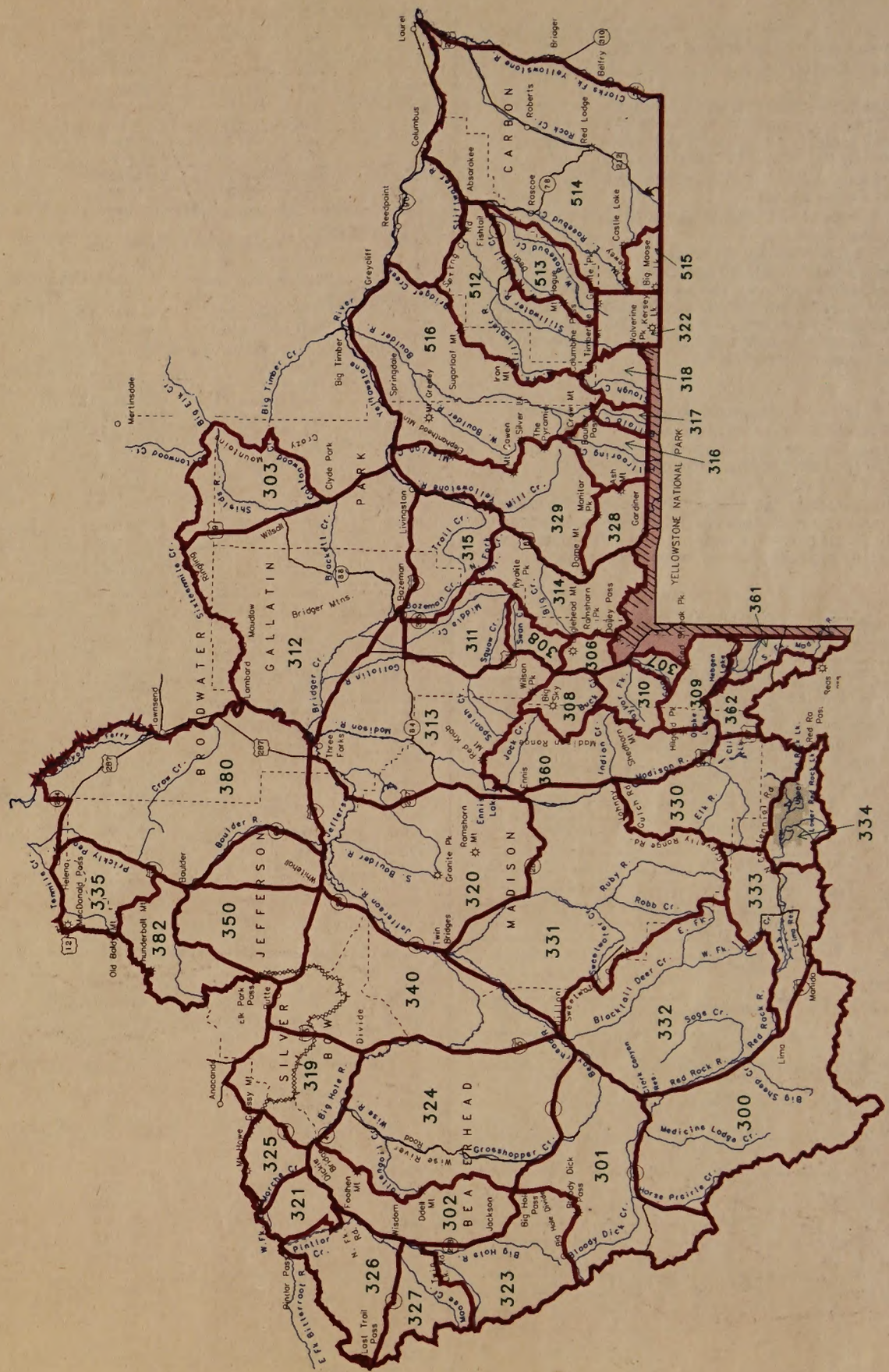
Moose



Map only intended as a guide - please refer to the legal descriptions for actual boundaries.

CLOSED TO HUNTING FOR BIG GAME

Moose



Map only intended as a guide - please refer to the legal descriptions for actual boundaries.

CLOSED TO HUNTING FOR BIG GAME

Moose

License quotas are tentative

SPECIAL SEASONS & TENTATIVE QUOTAS

- Moose licenses are awarded through special drawings.
- Applications must be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service no later than May 1.
- Legislation adopted in 1993 states that an applicant who receives a moose license is not eligible to apply for another license for moose for the next succeeding 7 years. For example, if you received a moose license in 1993, you may not apply for another until 2001.
- License holders may legally take one moose subject to all specifications on the license issued.
- Hunters harvesting a moose must leave evidence of sex naturally attached to the carcass.
- There is no ARCHERY ONLY season for moose.

Legislation authorizes the Fish, Wildlife & Parks Commission to provide for the auction of a moose license each year. This license authorizes the hunter to take an antlered bull moose in any district of their choice. This license is not a part of the seasons proposed and if this license holder is successful, the moose will not be counted against the district quota. This license holder may hunt only in areas open to moose hunting.

Definitions

- Antlered Bull - any moose having an antler or antlers of at least four inches in length measured from the top of the skull.
- Antlerless - a female or juvenile male with an antler or antlers less than four inches in length measured from the top of the skull.

Both resident and nonresident hunters are eligible to apply for the following license awarded through the special drawings. Nonresidents are limited to, but not guaranteed, 10 percent of a regions quota. **Districts where nonresidents may apply are listed on the moose nonresident application.**

Hunting District	Season Opens-Closes	Tentative License Quotas
100 SERIES DISTRICTS		
100-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	25 either sex
101-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	25 either sex
102-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	25 either sex
103-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 either sex
104-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	10 either sex
105-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	25 either sex
106-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	25 either sex
110-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	25 either sex
111-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	20 either sex
112-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlered bull
112-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	3 antlerless
121-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	8 either sex
122-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	8 either sex
125-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	1 either sex
130-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlered bull
140-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	11 either sex
141-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	8 either sex
150-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 either sex
200 SERIES DISTRICTS		
210-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	3 antlered bull
210-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 antlerless
211-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlered bull
211-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 antlerless
212-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	7 antlered bull
212-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	4 antlerless
214-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 either sex
214-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	3 antlerless
215-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	3 antlered bull
215-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 antlerless
220-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 antlered bull
230-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	3 antlered bull
240-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 either sex
250-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlered bull
261-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 antlered bull
270-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	20 either sex
280-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 antlered bull
285-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 antlered bull
292-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	6 antlered bull

Hunting District	Season Opens-Closes	Tentative License Quotas
300 SERIES DISTRICTS		
300-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlered bull
300-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlerless
301-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	10 antlered bull
301-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	10 antlerless
302-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlered bull
302-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlerless
303-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 either sex
303-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	4 antlerless
306-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlered bull
306-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	1 antlerless
Gallatin Closed Area (buffer zone adjacent to Yellowstone National Park) - closed to big game hunting.		
307-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	4 antlered bull
307-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	1 antlerless
Gallatin Closed Area (buffer zone adjacent to Yellowstone National Park) - closed to big game hunting		
308-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	10 antlered bull
308-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 antlerless
Hunting district 308 has two hunting areas. Both 01 and 02 licenses are valid in both portions of 308.		
309-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	7 antlered bull
310-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	15 antlered bull
310-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlerless
311-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	15 antlered bull
312-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlered bull
313-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	15 antlered bull
314-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	6 antlered bull
315-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	6 antlered bull
315-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 antlerless
316-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	3 antlered bull
317-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 antlered bull
318-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	3 antlered bull
319-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlered bull
319-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlerless
320-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 antlered bull
320-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 antlerless
321-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlered bull
321-02	Nov. 16 - Dec. 15	3 antlerless
322-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlered bull
323-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	10 antlered bull
323-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlerless
323-03	Nov. 16 - Dec. 15	5 either sex
324-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	10 antlered bull
324-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	10 antlerless
324-03	Nov. 16- Dec. 15	5 either sex - valid Grasshopper Drainage only.
325-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlered bull
325-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	3 antlerless
326-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlered bull
326-02	Nov. 16 - Dec. 15	5 either sex
327-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	10 antlered bull
327-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	6 antlerless
327-03	Nov. 16 - Dec. 15	5 either sex
328-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 antlered bull
Deckard Flats-Eagle Creek portion of hunting district 328 as posted, subject to closure to all hunting on 24-hour notice.		
329	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlered bull
330-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlered bull
330-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlerless
331-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	10 antlered bull
331-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	10 antlerless
332-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlered bull
332-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlerless
333-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 antlered bull
333-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 antlerless
334-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlered bull*
334-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlerless*
334-03	Nov. 16 - Dec. 15	10 antlerless*
*Red Rock Lakes NWR closed to moose hunting until Oct. 15.		
335-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	3 antlered bull
340-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	8 antlered bull
340-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	8 antlerless
350-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlered bull
360-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlered bull
361-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlered bull
362-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	3 antlered bull
380-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlered bull
380-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 antlerless
382-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	3 antlered bulls

Moose

License quotas are tentative

Hunting District	Season Opens-Closes	Tentative License Quotas
400 SERIES DISTRICTS		
415-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	3 antlered bull
490-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	3 either sex
500 SERIES DISTRICTS		
512-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlered bull
512-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 antlerless
513-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 antlered bull
513-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 antlerless
514-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	7 antlered bull
514-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 antlerless
515-00	Sept. 1 - Nov. 30	5 antlered bull
516-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	6 antlered bull
516-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 antlerless

1996 MOOSE STATISTICS

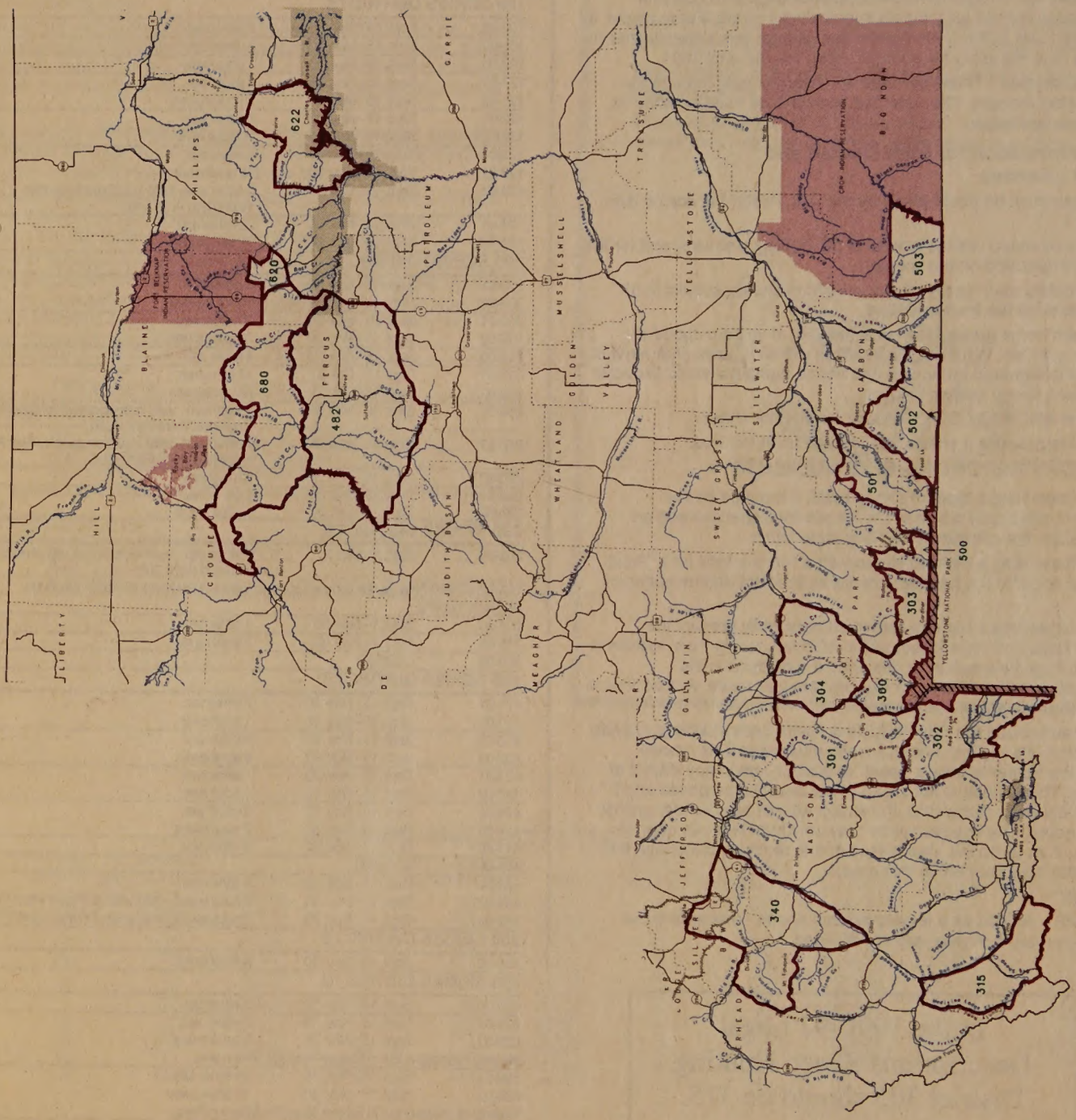
DIST.	TOTAL QUOTA	1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS	DIST.	TOTAL QUOTA	1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS	DIST.	TOTAL QUOTA	1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS	DIST.	TOTAL QUOTA	1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS
100-00	25	526	230-00	3	203	315-01	6	106	331-01	10	509
101-00	25	620	240-00	5	157	315-02	2	10	331-02	10	131
102-00	25	823	250-00	5	185	318-00	3	63	332-01	5	36
103-00	5	87	281-00	2	59	317-00	2	43	332-02	5	29
104-00	10	172	270-00	20	724	318-00	3	44	333-01	2	65
105-00	25	354	280-00	2	97	319-01	5	115	333-02	2	8
108-00	25	566	285-00	2	40	319-02	5	53	334-01	5	160
110-00	25	878	292-00	6	136	320-01	2	61	334-02	5	56
111-00	20	815	300-01	5	149	320-02	2	12	334-03	10	31
112-01	5	138	300-02	5	21	321-01	5	104	335-00	3	106
112-02	3	58	301-01	10	254	321-02	3	21	340-01	8	247
121-00	8	223	301-02	10	102	322-00	5	118	340-02	8	71
122-00	8	226	302-01	5	117	323-01	10	274	350-00	5	94
125-00	1	12	302-02	5	46	323-02	5	55	360-00	5	88
130-00	5	100	303-01	2	89	323-03	5	119	361-00	5	164
140-00	11	183	303-02	4	33	324-01	10	305	362-00	3	86
141-00	8	188	306-01	5	124	324-02	10	116	380-01	5	182
150-00	2	29	306-02	1	1	324-03	5	75	380-02	2	23
210-01	3	179	307-01	4	47	325-01	5	140	382-00	3	66
210-02	2	28	307-02	1	13	325-02	3	25	415-00	3	44
211-01	5	157	308-01	10	202	326-01	5	107	490-00	3	168
211-02	2	35	308-02	2	30	326-02	5	81	512-01	5	78
212-01	7	197	309-00	7	171	327-01	10	288	512-02	2	26
212-02	4	81	310-01	15	356	327-02	6	124	513-01	5	99
214-01	5	93	310-02	5	55	327-03	5	53	513-02	2	12
214-02	3	21	311-00	15	295	328-00	2	48	514-01	7	225
215-01	3	156	312-00	5	133	329-00	5	97	514-02	2	36
215-02	2	41	313-00	15	214	330-01	5	381	515-00	5	108
220-00	2	59	314-00	6	112	330-02	5	63	516-01	6	122
									516-02	2	11

Sheep

Map only intended as a guide - please refer to the legal descriptions for actual boundaries.

CLOSED TO HUNTING FOR BIG GAME

Sheep



Map only intended as a guide - please refer to the legal descriptions for actual boundaries.

CLOSED TO HUNTING FOR BIG GAME

Sheep License quotas are tentative

LICENSES & GENERAL INFORMATION

There are two types of bighorn sheep licenses: Limited and Unlimited.

Limited Licenses - these license are awarded only through the special drawing and are designed to limit the number of hunters in a specific hunting district(s). Hunters may apply for one limited license area only and it must be their first and only district choice, with the exception of an adult ewe which may be listed as a second district choice.

- Legislation adopted in 1993, states that applicants who receive a limited either sex or legal ram license are not eligible to apply for another sheep license for the next succeeding 7 years. For example, if you received one of the limited either sex or legal ram sheep license in 1993, you may not apply for another sheep license until 2001.

Unlimited Licenses - These licenses are awarded only through the special drawing process. The unlimited license area must be listed as the first and only choice.

General Information for Both Limited and Unlimited Licenses

- Applications must be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service no later than May 1.
- Each bighorn sheep license is valid in the hunting district(s) and for the time period specified on the license.
- License holders may legally take one bighorn sheep, subject to all specifications on the license issued.
- Bighorn ram horns greater than one-half curl must be plugged or pinned at any Fish, Wildlife & Parks office within 10 days after harvest. A listing of designated personnel and phone numbers will be provided to all bighorn sheep license holders.
- There is no ARCHERY ONLY season for bighorn sheep.
- It is illegal to possess a sheep head picked up in the wild.

MANDATORY REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

- A hunter harvesting a bighorn sheep must, if required by the department, physically return to the kill site for inspection and on demand show the complete head and cape intact.
- A hunter harvesting a bighorn sheep with a license valid for a "legal ram" must not alter the head and horns as to affect determination of legality.
- A hunter harvesting a bighorn ram must personally present the complete head and cape intact within 48 hours to any Fish, Wildlife & Parks office, game warden, or designated employee in the administrative region where the bighorn ram was taken. At that time, a transportation permit will be issued.

Legislation authorizes the Fish, Wildlife & Parks Commission to provide for the auction of a bighorn sheep license each year. This license authorizes the hunter to take a "legal" or greater ram in any district of their choice. This license is not a part of the seasons proposed and if this license holder is successful, the sheep will not be counted against the district quota. The license holder may only hunt in areas open to hunting (i.e. if an unlimited area closes due to reaching the quota, the license holder may not hunt in that area).

DEFINITION:

ADULT EWE - defined as a female bighorn sheep - one year old or older. Lambs (young of year) are not included.

In the 1996-97 Legal Descriptions Sheep Hunting District 305 should be 315.

LIMITED LICENSES

Both resident and nonresident hunters are eligible to apply for the following licenses awarded through the special drawings. Nonresidents are limited to, but not guaranteed, 10 percent of a region quota. **Districts where nonresidents may apply are listed on the nonresident sheep application.**

Hunting District	Season Opens-Closes	Tentative License Quota
100 SERIES DISTRICTS		
100-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	3 either sex
101-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	3 either sex
102-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	1 either sex
121-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 15	8 either sex
121-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 15	20 adult ewes
122-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 either sex
122-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	10 adult ewe
123-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 either sex
123-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	10 adult ewes
123-03	Sept. 15 - Oct. 31	3 either sex - valid in Cabinet Mountain Wilderness Area only.
124-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	22 either sex
124-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	10 adult ewes
200 SERIES DISTRICTS		
203-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 either sex
203-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	10 adult ewes
210-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	10 either sex
210-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	30 adult ewes
213-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	4 either sex
216-01	Sept. 15 - Oct. 31	12 either sex
216-02	Sept. 15 - Oct. 31	20 adult ewes
250-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	1 legal ram - valid in portion north of Nez Perce Road and West Fork Road.
250-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 either sex - valid in portion south of Nez Perce Road and West Fork Road.
270-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 either sex
283-01	Sept. 15 - Oct. 31	2 either sex
283-02	Sept. 15 - Oct. 31	5 adult ewes
300 SERIES DISTRICTS		
302-00	Sept. 1 - Oct. 31	4 either sex - valid in portion of district north of Madison River only.
Gallatin Closed Area (buffer zone adjacent to Yellowstone National Park) - closed to big game hunting		
304-00	Sept. 1 - Nov. 30	1 either sex
315-00	Sept. 1 - Nov. 30	2 legal rams
340-00	CLOSED	
400 SERIES DISTRICTS		
421-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 either sex
421-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	1 adult ewe
422-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 either sex
422-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 adult ewes
423-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	1 either sex
423-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	1 adult ewe
424-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 either sex
424-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 adult ewes
441-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 either sex
455-00	CLOSED	
482-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	8 either sex
482-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	6 adult ewes - valid west of Power Plant Ferry Road
482-03	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 adult ewes - valid east of Power Plant Ferry Road
500 SERIES DISTRICTS		
503-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	4 legal rams
600 SERIES DISTRICTS		
620-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 either sex
622-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	7 either sex
622-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 adult ewes
Majority of sheep occur in Mickey-Brandon Buttes area.		
680-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	15 either sex
680-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	10 adult ewes
Majority of sheep occur in Breaks along the Missouri River.		

Sheep License quotas are tentative

UNLIMITED LICENSES

- An unlimited bighorn sheep license must be purchased through the special drawing as your first and only district choice. Unlimited bighorn sheep licenses are available in districts 300, 301, 303, 500, and 501.
- Licenses are nonrefundable and a hunter may not change the selected hunting district, even if a district closes before the hunter has participated in a hunt.
- Unlimited license districts with quotas sometimes close a few days after the opening date.
- Unlimited license hunting districts will close on a 48 hour notice. Some unlimited sheep hunting districts are assigned a harvest quota. When the quota is reached or approached, the sheep season in that district will close. Any ram harvested by a hunter will be counted against the quota.
- Current harvest information may be obtained by calling the appropriate Fish, Wildlife & Parks Regional Headquarters during normal business hours. See Regional Headquarters listings on page 5.
- The department makes an attempt, through news releases and back country contacts, to inform hunters of bighorn sheep closures. However, it is the hunters responsibility to be aware of season status.
- Legislation adopted in 1995 states that applicants who harvest an unlimited legal ram are not eligible to apply for another sheep license for the next succeeding 7 years. For example, if you took a legal ram with your unlimited sheep license in 1995, you may not apply for another sheep license until 2003.

Hunting District	Season Opens-Closes	Tentative License Quota
300 SERIES DISTRICTS		
300-00	Sept. 1 - Sept. 6	legal ram - no quota
301-00	Sept. 1 - Sept. 6	legal ram - no quota
303-00	Sept. 15 - Oct. 31	2 legal rams
Deckard Flats -Eagle Creek portion of HD 303 as posted, subject to closure to all hunting on 24 hour notice.		
500 SERIES DISTRICTS		
500-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 legal rams
501-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	3 legal rams
502-00	CLOSED	

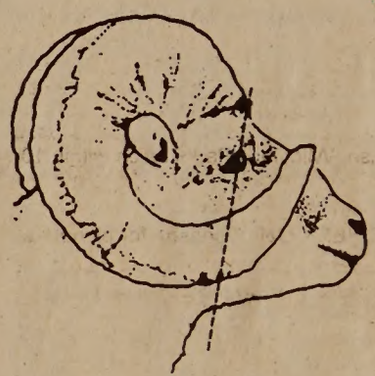
JUDGING A "LEGAL RAM" (3/4 Curl)

When a straight line extending from the front base of the horn through any portion of the eye opening intercepts any portion of the horn, the ram is legal. If the horn is not long enough to be intercepted by the line, the ram is not legal.

Base of the horn shall be considered as the point where the horn meets the hairline of the head. See illustration below.

Determination of a legal ram should be made from a broadside view of the head.

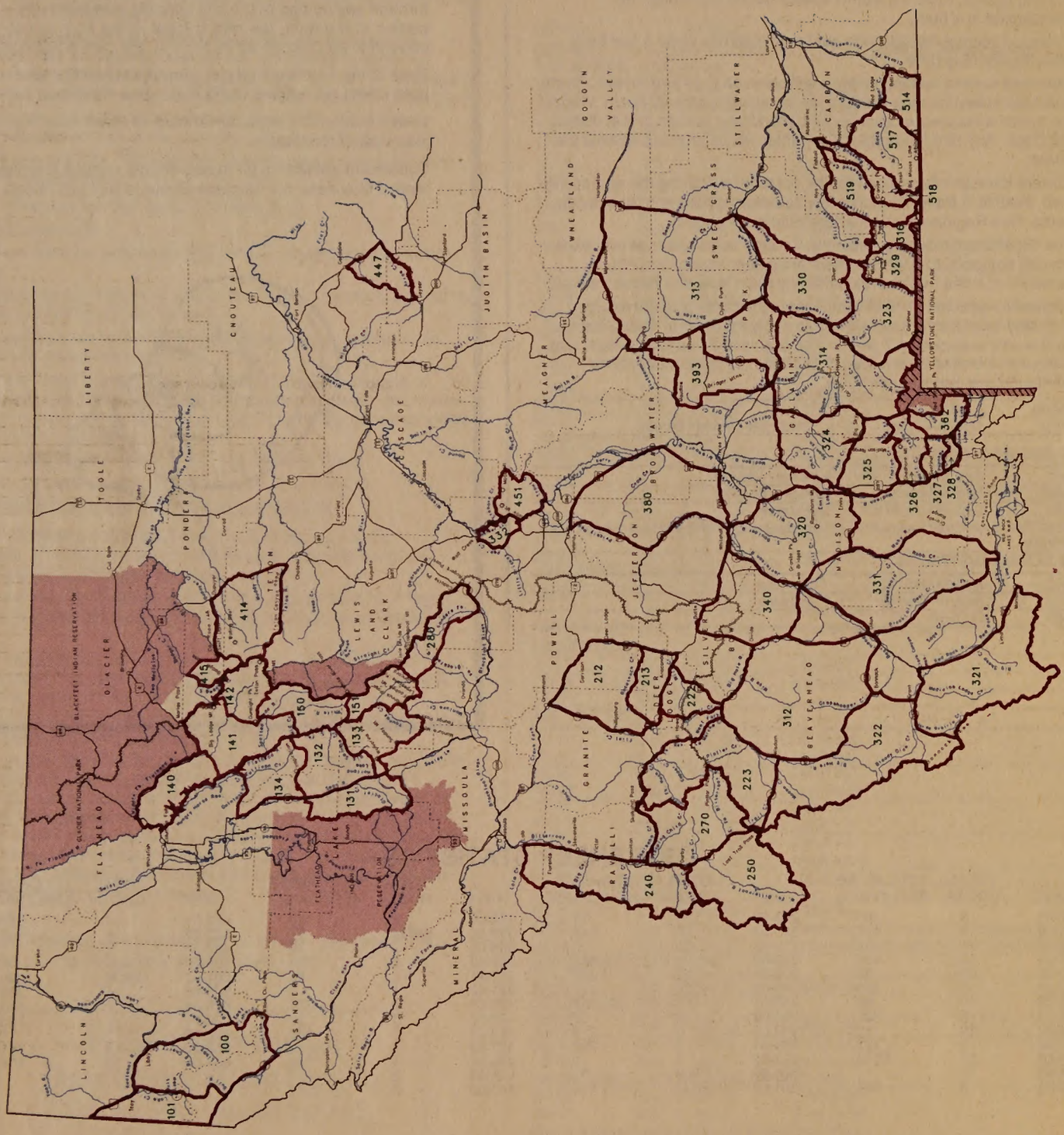
Successful applicants for sheep should contact the department if they need the Montana Guide to Bighorn Sheep.



1996 SHEEP STATISTICS

DIST.	TOTAL QUOTA	1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS	DIST.	TOTAL QUOTA	1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS	DIST.	TOTAL QUOTA	1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS	DIST.	TOTAL QUOTA	1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS
100-01	3	263	203-02	10	23	302-00	4	133	482-01	8	622
101-00	3	146	210-01	10	624	303-00	UNLM	27	482-02	6	7
102-00	1	84	210-02	30	20	304-00	1	49	482-03	2	1
121-01	8	429	213-00	4	445	315-00	2	233	500-00	UNLM	20
121-02	20	33	216-01	12	1,427	421-01	2	68	501-00	UNLM	46
122-01	5	331	216-02	20	117	421-02	1	0	503-00	4	289
122-02	10	20	250-01	1	51	422-01	5	378	620-00	2	190
123-01	5	221	250-02	2	65	422-02	5	20	622-01	7	758
123-02	10	10	270-00	2	219	423-01	1	158	622-02	5	8
123-03	3	122	283-01	2	203	423-02	1	4	680-01	15	1,152
124-01	22	1,333	283-02	5	0	424-01	5	546	680-02	10	128
124-02	10	11	300-00	UNLM	52	424-02	2	7			
203-01	5	454	301-00	UNLM	114	441-00	5	272			

Goat



Map only intended as a guide - please refer to the legal descriptions for actual boundaries.

CLOSED TO HUNTING FOR BIG GAME

Goat License quotas are tentative

LICENSES & GENERAL INFORMATION

- Mountain goat licenses are awarded through special drawings.
- Applications must be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service no later than May 1.
- License holders may legally take one goat subject to all specifications on the license issued.
- Legislation adopted in 1993, states that an applicant who receives a goat license is not eligible to apply for another license for goat for the next succeeding seven years. For example, if you received a goat license in 1993, you may not apply for another until 2001.
- There is no ARCHERY ONLY season for goat.

MANDATORY REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

- Any person taking a mountain goat must present the complete head with horns attached or the top portion of the skull with horns attached to a department official within 10 days of the date of kill.

Region 1 - 752-5501
Region 2 - 542-5500
Region 3 - 994-4042
Helena Area Office 449-8864
Butte Area Office 494-1953
Region 4 - 454-5840
Region 5 - 247-2940
Region 6 - 228-3700
Havre Area Office 265-6177
Region 7 - 232-0900

SPECIAL SEASONS & TENTATIVE QUOTAS

Both resident and nonresident hunters are eligible to apply for the following licenses awarded through the special drawings. Nonresidents are limited to, but not guaranteed, 10 percent of a region quota. Districts where nonresidents may apply are listed on the nonresident application.

Hunting District	Season Opens-Closes	Tentative License Quota
100-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	8 either sex
101-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	4 either sex
131-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 e either sex
132-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 either sex
133-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 either sex
134-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 either sex
140-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 either sex
141-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	8 either sex
142-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	3 either sex
150-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 either sex
151-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	4 either sex
200 SERIES DISTRICTS		
212-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	4 either sex
213-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 either sex
222-00	Sept. 1 - Nov. 30	2 either sex
223-00	Sept. 1 - Nov. 30	2 either sex
240-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	1 either sex - valid north side of Tin Cup Creek drainage to the Lost Horse Creek Road to Bear Creek Pass.
240-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 either sex - valid from the Lost Horse Creek Road north through the entire Roaring Lion and Sawtooth drainage.
240-03	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 either sex - valid from Canyon Creek through the Sheafman Creek drainage.
240-04	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	1 either sex - valid in the entire Fred Burr drainage.
240-05	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	1 either sex - valid in the entire Bear Creek and Sweathouse Creek drainages.
240-06	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 either sex - valid in the entire Big Creek drainage.
240-07	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	1 either sex - valid in the entire Kootenai Creek drainage.
240-08	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	1 either sex - valid in the entire Bass Creek drainage
240-09	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	1 either sex - valid in the entire Sweeney Creek, One Horse, Carlton, through the South Fork of Lolo Creek drainage.
250-01	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	1 either sex - valid in portion north of Nez Perce Road and West Fork Road.
250-02	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	1 either sex - valid in portion south of Nez Perce Road and West Fork Road.
270-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 either sex
280-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 either sex
300 SERIES DISTRICTS		
312-00	Sept. 1 - Nov. 30	12 either sex
313-00	Sept. 1 - Nov. 30	11 either sex
314-00	Sept. 1 - Nov. 30	2 either sex
Gallatin Closed Area (buffer zone adjacent to Yellowstone National Park) - closed to big game hunting		
316-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 either sex
320-00	Sept. 1 - Nov. 30	15 either sex
321-00	Sept. 1 - Nov. 30	4 either sex
322-00	Sept. 1 - Nov. 30	2 either sex
323-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	28 either sex
Deckard Flats-Eagle Creek portion of HD 323 as posted, subject to closure to all hunting on a 24-hour notice.		
324-00	Sept. 1 - Nov. 30	4 either sex
325-00	Sept. 1 - Nov. 30	10 either sex
326-00	Sept. 1 - Nov. 30	16 either sex
327-00	Sept. 1 - Nov. 30	8 either sex
328-00	Sept. 1 - Nov. 30	4 either sex
329-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	20 either sex
330-00	Sept. 1 - Nov. 30	4 either sex
331-00	Sept. 1 - Nov. 30	5 either sex
332-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 either sex
340-00	Sept. 1 - Nov. 30	2 either sex
362-00	Sept. 1 - Nov. 30	6 either sex
380-00	Sept. 1 - Nov. 30	3 either sex
393-00	Sept. 1 - Nov. 30	5 either sex
400 SERIES DISTRICTS		
414-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	1 either sex
415-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	3 either sex
447-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	15 either sex
451-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	3 either sex
500 SERIES DISTRICTS		
514-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	4 either sex
517-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	8 either sex
518-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	5 either sex - valid in portion of hunting district south of Forest Service Trail 17 (Mystic Lake to East Rosebud Trail) only.
519-00	Sept. 15 - Nov. 30	2 either sex

1996 GOAT STATISTICS

DIST.	TOTAL QUOTA	1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS	DIST.	TOTAL QUOTA	1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS	DIST.	TOTAL QUOTA	1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS	DIST.	TOTAL QUOTA	1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS
100-00	8	201	240-01	1	21	314-00	2	47	362-00	6	83
101-00	4	151	240-02	2	62	316-00	2	19	380-00	3	106
131-00	5	140	240-03	2	54	320-00	15	297	381-00	2	66
132-00	5	87	240-04	1	23	321-00	4	97	393-00	5	278
133-00	5	77	240-05	1	14	322-00	2	49	414-00	1	37
134-00	2	70	240-06	2	84	323-00	28	288	415-00	3	60
140-00	2	57	240-07	1	27	324-00	4	92	447-00	15	796
141-00	8	114	240-08	1	21	325-00	10	165	451-00	3	255
142-00	3	33	240-09	1	44	326-00	16	232	514-00	4	76
150-00	2	52	250-01	1	35	327-00	8	65	517-00	8	194
151-00	4	45	250-02	1	32	328-00	4	92	518-00	5	89
212-00	4	106	270-00	5	107	329-00	20	173	519-00	2	30
213-00	2	79	280-00	2	37	330-00	4	53			
222-00	2	56	312-00	12	302	331-00	5	100			
223-00	2	71	313-00	11	186	340-00	2	40			

Question & Answers

What can I do if I lose my license?

Duplicate licenses may be obtained from Fish, Wildlife & Parks regional headquarters, selected license agents, or local game wardens. Hunters have to sign a statement on the duplicate license form declaring their original license or license(s) were lost and are no longer in their possession. If the original licenses are found they must be returned to FWP immediately.

Am I a Montana resident?

In general, to be a resident eligible to purchase hunting, fishing or trapping licenses, you must have physically been living in Montana for at least 180 consecutive days (six months) immediately before purchasing any resident license; you must file Montana state income tax returns as a resident if you are required to file; you must have registered your vehicles in Montana; if you are registered to vote, you must be registered in Montana; and you may not possess or apply for any resident hunting, fishing or trapping privileges in another state or country. You must show a valid Montana driver's license or a valid Montana identification card when purchasing a license. If unsure of your residency status, contact a regional FWP office or call the Enforcement Division at (406)444-2452.

What is the difference between a license and a permit?

Licenses and permits **are not the same.** A license affords the holder the opportunity to kill a game animal, as specified on the license. A permit, on the other hand, merely awards the holder special privileges. **A permit is not a second license.** All permits are issued through the annual special license and permit drawings and must be used in conjunction with a valid hunting license.

What is the difference between a deer A and a deer B license?

- The deer A license is valid for one deer during the general season and can be utilized in any deer hunting district in the state for the species and sex indicated for that hunting district under the general season regulations. **There are some exceptions to this general statement and a hunter should check the regulations specific to the hunting district in which they wish to hunt.**
- The deer B license is valid for one deer subject to restrictions of seasons, species, sex and hunting district(s). The deer B license is most often valid for antlerless deer. More than one deer B license per hunter may be available in some hunting districts.

What should I do if I make a mistake resulting in an illegally killed animal?

- Field dress the animal to keep it from spoiling. Leave it where it was killed, preferably with a person watching it. Go to the nearest telephone as soon as possible and call the regional FWP office, the local sheriff's office, game warden's home office or 1-800-TIPMONT. Report what happened and wait for instructions from a game warden. Do not transport the animal unless you are told to do so by a game warden.

May I hunt with a bow and arrow during rifle season?

Yes, but you must conform to the rifle season regulations. This includes wearing a minimum of 400 square inches of hunter orange (fluorescent) material above the waist.

What is the special drawings process?

MOOSE, SHEEP & GOAT drawings are held earlier than deer, elk and antelope. Please note the schedule below:

Application Deadlines

Nonresident General Combination	postmarked no later than March 15, 1997
Nonresident Outfitter Sponsored Combination	in Helena FWP office by 5 pm March 17, 1997.
Nonresident General Deer Combination	postmarked no later than March 15, 1997
Nonresident Outfitter Sponsored Deer Combination	in Helena FWP office by by 5 pm March 17, 1997
Nonresident Landowner Sponsored Deer Combination	Intended to be sold first-come, first-served beginning March 17, 1997
Moose, Sheep & Goat:	postmarked no later than May 1, 1997
Deer, Elk* & Antelope:	postmarked no later than June 2, 1997

*must hold a general elk license to apply.

Drawing

Nonresident Combination License:	mid-April
Moose, Sheep & Goat:	Second week in June
Deer, Elk & Antelope:	Second week in August

Notification:

Nonresident Combination License:	end of April
Moose, Sheep & Goat:	Mailed third week in June
Deer, Elk & Antelope:	Mailed third week in August

Refunds:

Nonresident Combination License:	end of April
Moose, Sheep & Goat:	Mailed final week in June**
Deer, Elk & Antelope:	Mailed final week in August

**If an applicant is unsuccessful in the drawings, money will be refunded unless there is a valid obligation owed to the State of Montana. If valid obligation exists the refunds will be retained by the State Auditor and applied against that amount.

Surplus licenses:	Information regarding surplus licenses will be made available the end of August.

FOR SPECIAL DRAWING RESULTS please call our new information hotline at 1-900-225-5397. The line will be operational Monday through Friday from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Mountain Standard Time. A $1.50 per minute charge will be assessed and callers must be at least 18 years old.

If you do not receive your license or refund within a reasonable time after the dates listed above, call special licensing at (406)444-2950.

Question & Answers

How do I know when I cannot shoot from a road right-of-way?

If a road is maintained by a public agency, even if very infrequently maintained, and it is open to travel by motor vehicles, you may not shoot from the road or anywhere within the road right-of-way. When in doubt, get off the road and beyond the drainage ditches before you shoot. For accurate information, you should check with the appropriate public agency in charge of the road.

May I drive off established roads and trails to retrieve game?

There is no standard answer. In all cases, when on private lands, hunters must first obtain permission from the private landowner. In the case of public lands, the answer varies. BLM public lands are open to motorized travel unless designated closed. On National Forest lands, restrictions to motorized travel are described on Travel Plan maps available at local U. S. Forest Service offices. On National Wildlife Refuges, all off-road travel is prohibited. For further information, contact the appropriate land governing agency.

What are block management areas?

The block management program is a cooperative effort between private landowners, Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks and hunters to provide free hunting opportunities on private land. Since 1985, over 5 million acres of private and previously inaccessible public and state lands have been opened for hunting. There are Block Management Areas (BMA's) in all regions of the state with the majority of them in eastern Montana (Region 7).

The block management program is currently undergoing a review which may result in operational changes. Hunters interested in learning about block management opportunities for the 1997 hunting season should contact the regional offices which administer the area the hunt is planned. Specific information on areas enrolled for this year and specific hunting opportunities will not be available until September 1. For general information on the block management program, contact the Field Services Division at (406) 444-2602.

ASK FIRST!!
to Hunt & Fish on Private Land

RULES FOR THE RANCH

Welcome! In Montana, 65% of all land is privately owned. Ranchers are an integral part of Montana's hunting heritage. In fact, 75% of the whitetailed deer, 75% of the antelope and 50% of the mule deer are harvested on private land. Please be careful and considerate and follow the guidelines listed below:

- Vehicles allowed on the land with permission only and only where designated.
- If the ground is muddy - do not drive anywhere--roads included!
- Leave gates the way you found them.
- Do not shoot where livestock are present.
- Do not smoke outside your vehicle.
- Litter: PACK IT OUT!
- Cooperate with all ranch staff.

.....provided by Montana Stockgrowers Association & Montana Woolgrowers Association.

Where may I obtain detailed maps?

Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks does not provide any maps other than those included in these regulations. Agencies listed below may be contacted to supply area maps. Maps range in price from $1.25 to $5.00.

- Individual National Forest and travel maps of each National Forest that show restrictions on vehicular use can be obtained by writing to the U.S. Forest Service, Northern Region, Federal Building, P.O. Box 7669, Missoula, MT 59807; (406)329-3511.
- The Bureau of Land Management offers land status quad maps for most areas of the state. BLM maps may be obtained by writing the BLM, P.O. Box 36800, Billings, MT 59107; (406)255-2888.
- Topographical maps may be obtained by writing the Western Distribution Branch, U.S. Geological Survey, Box 25286, Federal Center, Denver, CO 80225; 1-800-USA-MAPS.
- Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge maps may be obtained by writing: CMR Manager, Box 110, Airport Road, Lewistown, MT 59457.

What is required to transport horses and mules in Montana?

- The Montana Department of Livestock requires a veterinary inspection certificate and an import permit prior to entry into Montana.
- A brand inspection certificate is required for movement within Montana. For information call the Department of Livestock at (406)444-2976.
- Certain areas of Montana require weed free hay, see page 4.

What must I do to operate an ATV on public lands?

ATVs operating on public land must be registered and display current decals. Residents must register their ATV at their County Treasurer's office. Nonresidents must register their ATV in their home state or purchase a temporary OHV use permit from any Fish, Wildlife & Parks office. The permit is $5 and expires on December 31, 1997.

What archery equipment is legal to use during ARCHERY ONLY season?

- See Deer/Elk ARCHERY page 17 and/or Antelope ARCHERY, page 56.

TURN IN POACHERS

CALL **1-800-TIP-MONT** (847-6668)
WITH THIS INFORMATION:
WHAT•WHERE•WHEN•WHO•HOW

MONTANA
LIVESTOCK
CRIMESTOPPERS
1•800•647•7464

Deer & Elk Definitions

Deer Definitions:

- Antlered Buck - A deer with an antler or antlers at least four inches in length measured from the top of the skull.
- Antlerless - A deer without antlers or with antlers less than four inches in length measured from the top of the skull.
- Either Species - Mule deer or white-tailed deer.
- Four Point (western count) - Any deer having at least one antler with four or more points not counting the brow point or tine. A point is an antler projection that is at least one inch long.
- Two point - Any deer having at least one antler with no more than two points, not counting the brow point or tine. A point is an antler projection that is at least one inch long.

Elk Definitions:

- Antlered Bull - any elk having an antler or antlers of at least four inches in length measured from the top of the skull.
- Antlerless - a female or juvenile male with antlers less than four inches in length measured from the top of the skull.

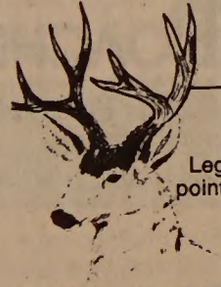
Special Regulations For Mule Deer Bucks

Montana has some deer hunting districts with special regulations governing the type of buck deer that is legal. The diagrams below are intended to assist you in interpreting these special regulations.

TYPICAL SPIKE MULE DEER
Legal buck under 2 point regulation.

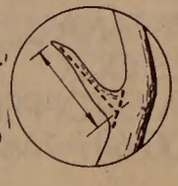
TYPICAL 2 POINT MULE DEER
Legal buck under 2 point regulation.

2 x 3 POINT MULE DEER
Legal buck under 2 point regulation.



TYPICAL 4 POINT MULE DEER
Legal buck under 4 point regulation.

ANTLER POINT MEASUREMENT
Legal antler point must be 1 inch or more in length.

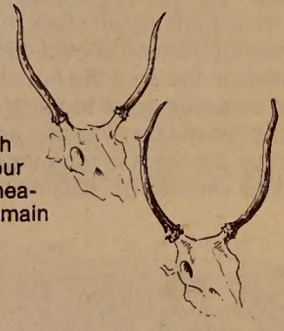


Special Regulations For Bull Elk

Montana has some elk hunting districts with special regulations governing the type of bull elk that is legal. The diagrams below are intended to assist the sportsmen in interpreting these special regulations.

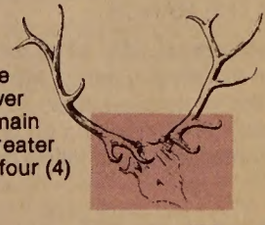
SPIKE BULL

Any elk having antlers which do not branch, or if branched, branch is less than four inches long measured from the main antler.



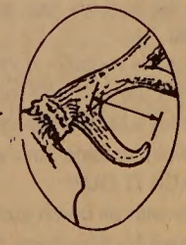
BROW-TINED

Any elk having an antler or antlers with a visible point on the lower half of either main beam that is greater than or equal to four (4) inches long.



ANTLER POINT MEASUREMENT

Legal antler point must be 4 inches or more in length.



Sunrise/Sunset

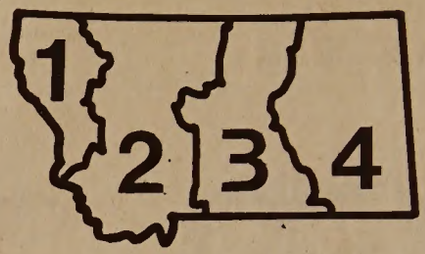
These tables, including adjustments for daylight savings time, are the official sunrise-sunset tables adopted by the Fish, Wildlife & Parks Commission for hunting in Montana. (Do not utilize tables from other sources).

Zone 1 - Flathead, Granite, Lake, Lincoln, Mineral, Missoula, Ravalli and Sanders Counties.

Zone 2 - Beaverhead, Broadwater, Cascade, Choteau, Deer Lodge, Gallatin, Glacier, Hill, Jefferson, Lewis & Clark, Liberty, Madison, Meagher, Park, Ponderosa, Powell, Silver Bow, Teton and Toole Counties.

Zone 3 - Blaine, Bighorn, Carbon, Fergus, Golden Valley, Judith Basin, Musselshell, Petroleum, Philips, Stillwater, Sweet Grass, Wheatland and Yellowstone Counties.

Zone 4 - Carter, Custer, Daniels, Dawson, Fallon, Garfield, McCone, Powder River, Prairie, Rosebud, Richland, Roosevelt, Sheridan, Treasure, Wibaux and Valley



ZONES

	Zone 1		Zone 2		Zone 3		Zone 4	
January	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set
1-3	8:22	4:59	8:12	4:52	7:56	4:41	7:47	4:28
4-6	8:22	5:02	8:12	4:55	7:55	4:44	7:47	4:31
7-9	8:21	5:06	8:11	4:58	7:55	4:47	7:46	4:34
10-12	8:20	5:09	8:10	5:02	7:54	4:51	7:45	4:38
13-15	8:18	5:13	8:09	5:06	7:52	4:55	7:43	4:42
16-18	8:16	5:17	8:07	5:10	7:51	4:58	7:41	4:46
19-21	8:14	5:21	8:05	5:14	7:48	5:02	7:39	4:50
22-24	8:11	5:26	8:02	5:18	7:46	5:07	7:37	4:54
25-27	8:08	5:30	7:59	5:23	7:43	5:11	7:34	4:58
28-30	8:05	5:35	7:56	5:27	7:40	5:15	7:31	5:03
31	8:03	5:38	7:54	5:30	7:38	5:18	7:28	5:06
February								
1-3	8:00	5:41	7:51	5:33	7:35	5:21	7:26	5:09
4-6	7:56	5:45	7:47	5:38	7:31	5:26	7:22	5:13
7-9	7:52	5:50	7:43	5:42	7:27	5:30	7:18	5:18
10-12	7:47	5:54	7:38	5:47	7:23	5:34	7:13	5:22
13-15	7:43	5:59	7:34	5:51	7:19	5:39	7:09	5:27
16-18	7:38	6:04	7:29	5:56	7:14	5:43	7:04	5:31
19-21	7:33	6:08	7:24	6:00	7:09	5:48	6:59	5:36
22-24	7:28	6:13	7:19	6:05	7:04	5:52	6:54	5:40
25-27	7:22	6:17	7:13	6:09	6:59	5:56	6:48	5:45
28	7:18	6:21	7:09	6:13	6:55	6:00	6:44	5:49
March								
1-3	7:15	6:23	7:06	6:15	6:52	6:02	6:41	5:50
4-6	7:09	6:27	7:01	6:19	6:46	6:06	6:36	5:55
7-9	7:03	6:32	6:55	6:24	6:41	6:10	6:30	5:59
10-12	6:58	6:36	6:49	6:28	6:35	6:14	6:24	6:03
13-15	6:52	6:40	6:43	6:32	6:29	6:18	6:19	6:07
16-18	6:46	6:44	6:37	6:36	6:24	6:22	6:13	6:11
19-21	6:40	6:49	6:32	6:40	6:18	6:26	6:07	6:15
22-24	6:34	6:53	6:26	6:44	6:12	6:30	6:01	6:20
25-27	6:28	6:57	6:20	6:49	606	6:34	5:55	6:24
28-30	6:22	7:01	6:14	6:53	6:01	6:38	5:49	6:28
31	6:18	7:04	6:10	6:55	5:57	6:41	5:45	6:30
April								
1-3	6:14	7:07	6:06	6:58	5:53	6:43	5:41	6:33
4-5	6:08	7:11	6:00	7:02	5:47	6:47	5:36	6:37
6	7:06	8:12	6:58	8:03	6:46	7:49	6:34	7:38
7-9	7:02	8:15	6:55	8:06	6:42	7:51	6:30	7:41
10-12	6:57	8:19	6:49	8:10	6:36	7:55	6:24	7:45
13-15	6:51	8:23	6:43	8:14	6:31	6:59	6:19	7:49
16-18	6:46	8:27	6:38	8:18	6:25	8:03	6:13	7:53
19-21	6:40	8:31	6:32	8:22	6:20	8:07	6:08	7:57
22-24	6:35	8:35	6:27	8:26	6:15	8:11	6:03	8:01
25-27	6:30	8:40	6:22	8:30	6:10	8:15	5:58	8:05
28-30	6:25	8:44	6:17	8:34	6:05	8:19	5:53	8:09
May								
1-3	6:20	8:48	6:12	8:38	6:01	8:22	5:48	8:13
4-6	6:15	8:52	6:08	8:42	5:56	8:26	5:44	8:17
7-9	6:11	8:56	6:03	8:46	5:52	8:30	5:39	8:21
10-12	6:07	8:59	5:59	8:50	5:48	8:34	5:35	8:25
13-15	6:03	9:03	5:55	8:54	5:44	8:37	5:31	8:28
16-18	5:59	9:07	5:52	8:57	5:41	8:41	5:28	8:32
19-21	5:56	9:10	5:49	9:01	5:38	8:44	5:24	8:36
22-24	5:53	9:14	5:46	9:04	5:35	8:48	5:21	8:39
25-27	5:50	9:17	5:43	9:08	5:32	8:51	5:19	8:42
28-30	5:48	9:20	5:41	9:11	5:30	8:54	5:16	8:45
31	5:46	9:22	5:39	9:13	5:28	8:55	5:15	8:47
June								
1-3	5:45	9:24	5:38	9:14	5:27	8:57	5:14	8:49
4-6	5:43	9:26	5:36	9:17	5:26	9:00	5:12	8:51
7-9	5:42	9:29	5:35	9:19	5:25	9:02	5:11	8:53
10-12	5:41	9:31	5:34	9:21	5:24	9:04	5:10	8:55
13-15	5:41	9:32	5:34	9:22	5:23	9:05	5:10	8:57
16-18	5:41	9:33	5:34	9:24	5:23	9:06	5:10	8:58
19-21	5:41	9:34	5:34	9:25	5:24	9:07	5:10	8:59
22-24	5:42	9:35	5:35	9:25	5:24	9:08	5:11	9:00
25-27	5:43	9:35	5:36	9:25	5:25	9:08	5:12	9:00
28-30	5:44	9:35	5:37	9:25	5:27	9:08	5:13	9:00

	Zone 1		Zone 2		Zone 3		Zone 4	
July	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set
1-3	5:46	9:34	5:39	9:25	5:28	9:08	5:15	8:59
4-6	5:48	9:33	5:41	9:24	5:30	9:07	5:17	8:58
7-9	5:50	9:32	5:43	9:22	5:32	9:05	5:19	8:57
10-12	5:53	9:30	5:46	9:21	5:35	9:04	5:22	8:55
13-15	5:55	9:28	5:48	9:19	5:37	9:02	5:24	8:53
16-18	5:58	9:26	5:51	9:16	5:40	9:00	5:27	8:51
19-21	6:02	9:23	5:54	9:14	5:43	8:57	5:30	8:48
22-24	6:05	9:20	5:58	9:10	5:46	8:54	5:33	8:45
25-27	6:08	9:17	6:01	9:07	5:50	8:51	5:37	8:42
28-30	6:12	9:13	6:04	9:04	5:53	8:47	5:40	8:38
31	6:14	9:10	6:07	9:01	5:55	8:45	5:43	8:36
August								
1-3	6:17	9:08	6:09	8:58	5:58	8:42	5:45	8:33
4-6	6:20	9:03	6:13	8:54	6:01	8:38	5:49	8:29
7-9	6:24	8:59	6:17	8:50	6:05	8:34	5:52	8:24
10-12	6:28	8:54	6:21	8:45	6:09	8:29	5:56	8:20
13-15	6:32	8:49	6:24	8:40	6:12	8:24	6:00	8:15
16-18	6:36	8:44	6:28	8:35	6:16	8:20	6:04	8:10
19-21	6:40	8:39	6:32	8:30	6:20	8:14	6:08	8:05
22-24	6:44	8:33	6:36	8:24	6:23	8:09	6:11	7:59
25-27	6:48	8:28	6:40	8:19	6:27	8:04	6:15	7:54
28-30	6:51	8:22	6:44	8:13	6:31	7:58	6:19	7:48
31	6:54	8:18	6:46	8:10	6:33	7:55	6:22	7:44
September								
1-3	6:57	8:14	6:49	8:06	6:35	7:51	6:24	7:41
4-6	7:01	8:09	6:53	8:00	6:39	7:45	6:28	7:35
7-9	7:04	8:03	6:56	7:54	6:43	7:40	6:32	7:29
10-12	7:08	7:57	7:00	7:48	6:47	7:35	6:36	7:23
13-15	7:12	7:51	7:04	7:42	6:51	7:28	6:39	7:17
16-18	7:16	7:45	7:08	7:36	6:54	7:22	6:43	7:11
19-21	7:20	7:39	7:12	7:30	6:58	7:16	6:47	7:05
22-24	7:24	7:33	7:16	7:24	7:02	7:11	6:51	6:59
25-27	7:28	7:27	7:20	7:18	7:06	7:05	6:55	6:53
28-30	7:32	7:21	7:24	7:12	7:09	6:59	6:59	6:48
October								
1-3	7:36	7:15	7:28	7:06	7:13	6:53	7:03	6:42
4-6	7:40	7:09	7:32	7:01	7:17	6:47	7:07	6:36
7-9	7:44	7:03	7:36	6:55	7:21	6:42	7:11	6:30
10-12	7:48	6:57	7:40	6:49	7:25	6:36	7:15	6:25
13-15	7:53	6:51	7:44	6:44	7:29	6:31	7:19	6:19
16-18	7:57	6:46	7:48	6:38	7:33	6:25	7:23	6:14
19-21	8:01	6:41	7:52	6:33	7:37	6:20	7:27	6:08
22-24	8:05	6:35	7:56	6:28	7:41	6:15	7:31	6:03
25	8:08	6:32	7:59	6:24	7:44	6:12	7:34	6:00
26	7:10	5:30	7:01	5:23	6:45	5:10	6:36	4:58
27-29	7:13	5:27	:7:04	5:19	6:48	5:07	6:38	4:55
30-31	7:17	5:22	7:08	5:15	6:52	5:03	6:43	4:50
November								
1-3	7:20	5:19	7:11	5:12	6:55	5:00	6:46	4:47
4-6	7:24	5:15	7:15	5:07	6:59	4:56	6:50	4:43
7-9	7:29	5:11	7:20	5:03	7:04	4:52	6:54	4:39
10-12	7:33	5:07	7:24	4:59	7:08	4:48	6:59	4:35
13-15	7:38	5:03	7:28	4:56	7:12	4:44	7:03	4:32
16-18	7:42	5:00	7:33	4:53	7:16	4:41	7:07	4:29
19-21	7:46	4:57	7:37	4:50	7:20	4:39	7:12	4:26
22-24	7:50	4:55	7:41	4:47	7:24	4:36	7:16	4:23
25-27	7:54	4:52	7:45	4:45	7:28	4:34	7:20	4:21
28-30	7:58	4:51	7:49	4:43	7:32	4:32	7:23	4:19
December								
1-3	8:02	4:49	7:53	4:42	7:36	4:31	7:27	4:18
4-6	8:05	4:48	7:56	4:41	7:39	4:30	7:30	4:17
7-9	8:09	4:48	7:59	4:41	7:42	4:30	7:34	4:16
10-12	8:12	4:47	8:02	4:40	7:45	4:30	7:36	4:16
13-15	8:14	4:48	8:05	4:41	7:48	4:30	7:39	4:17
16-18	8:16	4:48	8:07	4:41	7:50	4:31	7:41	4:17
19-21	8:18	4:50	8:09	4:42	7:52	4:32	7:43	4:18
22-24	8:20	4:51	8:10	4:44	7:53	4:33	7:45	4:20
25-27	8:21	4:53	8:11	4:46	7:54	4:35	7:46	4:22
28-30	8:22	4:55	8:12	4:48	7:55	4:37	7:47	4:24
31	8:22	4:57	8:12	4:50	7:55	4:39	7:47	4:26

Bear Identification

look for a combination of characteristics...color and size are misleading

BLACK BEAR

straight face profile

no hump

shorter, darker claws

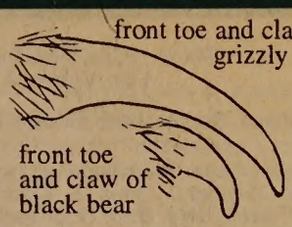
GRIZZLY BEAR

dish face profile

hump

ruff of long hair in spring and fall

longer, lighter claws



Claws of adult grizzlies are rarely less than 1 3/4" long.

Claws of black bears seldom exceed 1 1/2".

Bear Encounters

What do I do ?

First, you should always maintain a safe distance and behave in a non-threatening manner.

Stay calm, drop something like your hat or gloves on the ground in front of you and slowly back away, speak in a soft monotone, and avoid eye contact - ***don't run !***

If the bear charges, first - remain standing. The bear may 'bluff charge' or run past you. As a last resort, assume a cannonball position; cover your head with your arms and hands, and curl up to protect your stomach. *Many experts now recommend carrying a cayenne pepper spray for use in close encounters with bears.*

If you are armed, use a weapon only as a last resort. Wounding a bear, even with a large caliber gun, can put you in far greater danger.

Tips to avoid bear conflicts after you harvest your deer or elk

- Move carcass away from viscera.
- If possible, leave carcass in an open area.
- Cover with branches to protect from birds.
- Hang meat if possible.
- Leave article of clothing on meat.
- When returning, make noise and approach from upwind or most visible route.
- If a bear is on the carcass, leave the area and contact a local game warden.
- In camp; keep a clean camp and hang meat away from sleeping area.

1420 East Sixth Avenue Helena, Montana 59620 1-406-444-2535

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks